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GRADUATION CEREMONY -- Christy M. Kustra (left), a member of the Top 10 and Patrick Louis Lammie, Valedictorian, graduate with other members of the Grayling High School Class of 1997 on Friday, June 6. See more pictures and information on page 1B.

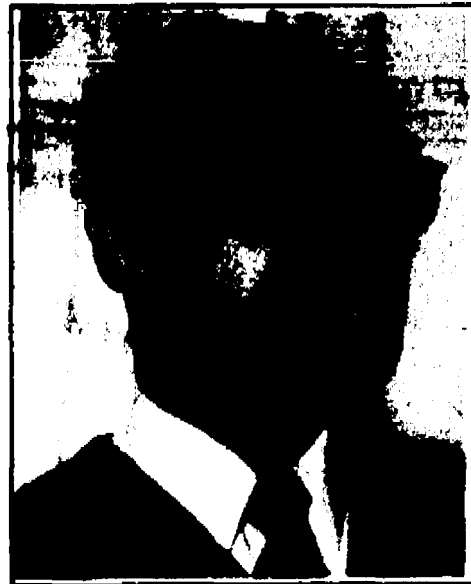
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Schreiner, Tobin outdistance others for school board

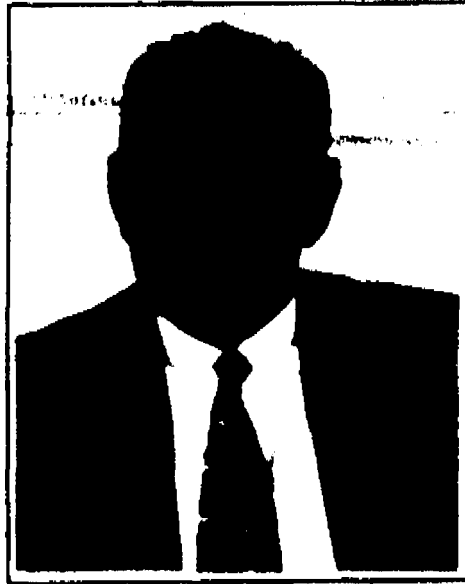
by Lisa Hoffman
Staff Reporter

Two new Crawford AuSable School

Board of Education members were voted in on Monday. Karl Schreiner and Jim Tobin



Karl Schreiner



Jim Tobin

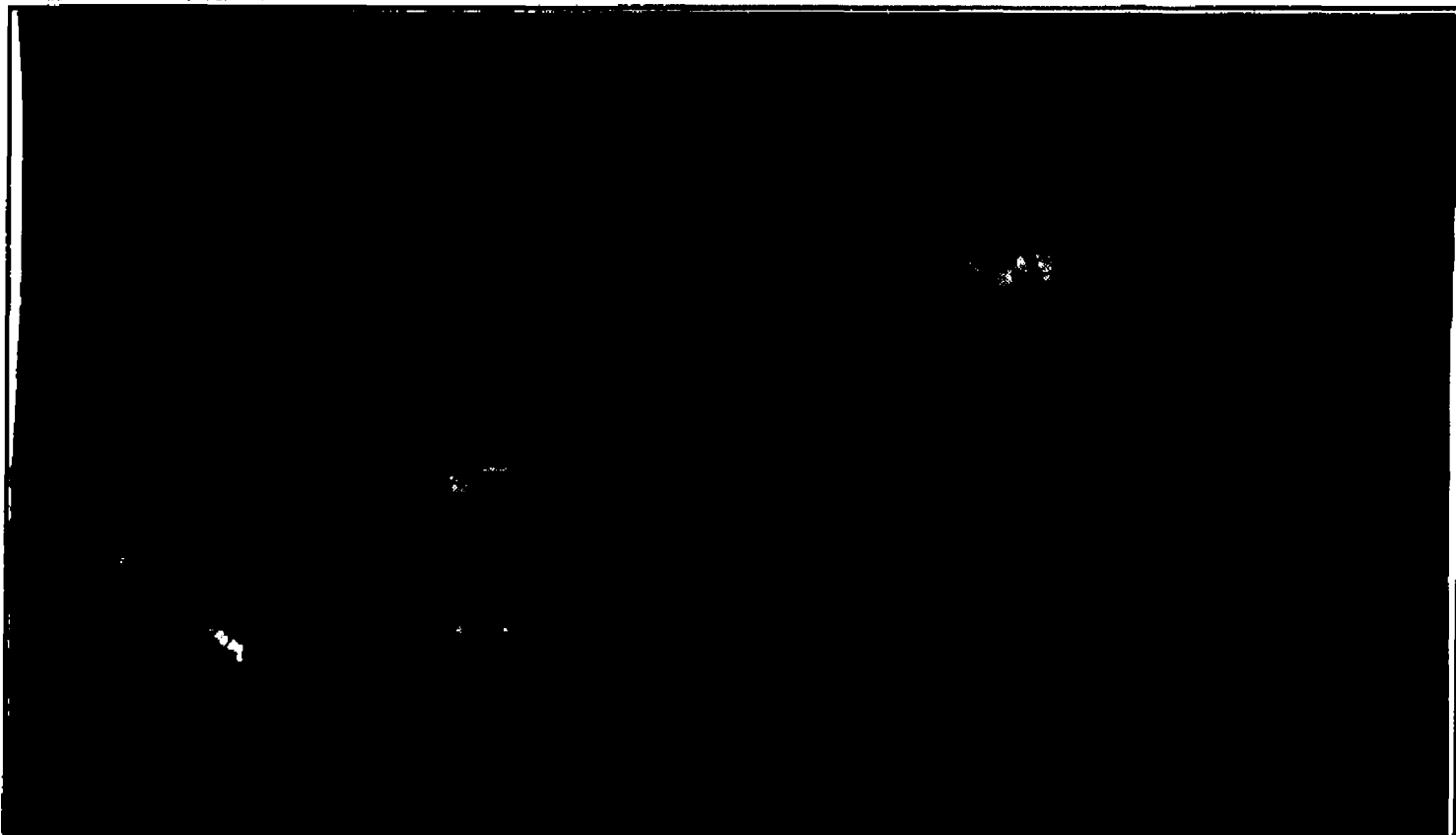
Marathon history to be captured in book

What are your favorite AuSable River Canoe Marathon memories? Irv Peterson winning the Marathon at age 51? Wild Bill Bronco Brousseau yelling to the crowds? Serge Corbin and Solomon Carriere smashing the record? Al Widing finishing at age 71? Jeff Kolka winning one for his dad? Butch Stockton winning five in a row? Lynne Witte's top female finish in fourth place? Bruce McGuire's great accomplishment in 1981? Ralph Sawyer becoming the all-time points leader? The three-time winning teams of Jay Stephan-Ted Engle and Don Feldhauser-Bernie Fowler? Big John Baker crawling out of the front of the canoe after another

victory? The list could go on and on for possible favorite moments. For fans who are not sure which memories are their favorites (and for fans who are sure), they can look back over hundreds of race memories included in a new book, "Experience the Tradition: The First Fifty Years of the AuSable River Canoe Marathon." "We have hundreds of stories and quotes from paddlers and fans covering the entire 50 years of the Marathon," said Nancy Lemmen, journalism and Spanish instructor at Grayling High School and one of three volunteers working on the book for the AuSable River Canoe Marathon Race Committee.

"One of the goals of the book is to include as many people as possible," she said. The book includes more than 175 photographs, many of them never published before. Additionally, the hardcover book will have the most complete section of race statistics and records ever published. "John Cook, recognized as the official historian of the race, has developed several new categories such as the top racing families of the Marathon," said Jon Thompson, journalism and English instructor at Kirtland Community College, who is

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REMEMBER WHEN -- In 1949, the third year of the AuSable River Canoe Marathon, enough people were jumping on the bandwagon to establish the race as one of the best in North America. This postcard photograph, taken at the start of the race, is one of more than 175 photographs to be published in "Experience the Tradition: The First Fifty Years." Photo courtesy of Jay Stephan, Sr.

McEvers, church, city reach compromise on zoning issue

Michelson Memorial to add elevator to make accessible

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Although a public hearing was held before the Grayling Zoning Board of Appeals on Thursday, June 5, the two sides regarding the zoning issue came to a compromise before the board members had to make a decision against the church or appellant.

The hearing was held to listen to comments concerning the site plan approval for a proposed addition to Michelson Memorial Church. Derek and Denise McEvers, who live adjacent to the church, filed the appeal in disagreement with Zoning Administrator Jerry Morford's decision to approve the site plan.

The addition and church renovations were proposed to make the church handicap accessible. The church plans to put in an elevator for its congregation which is getting older.

The McEvers and Ed Parks, member of the church and chairman of the church's building committee, negotiated the compromise after nearly two hours of discussion before the zoning board.

Monte Burmeister, the McEvers' attorney; Parks; City Manager Jerry Morford and City Attorney David Sabin agreed with the compromise. The zoning board members —

Chairman John Cherven, Robert Ruddy, Joe Murphy, Art Thayer and Junior Palmer — made it official by unanimously passing a resolution.

Thayer made the motion which stated that the proposed addition to Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church be approved as presented provided that it not be within 50 feet of the adjacent residential property. The resolution also stated that the church addition may extend toward the city roadway as far as the current structure.

Derek McEvers said during the meeting that if the church could guarantee that it would meet the 50-foot requirement, then the McEvers would drop their complaint. The McEvers said throughout the meeting that they were not against the expansion, but wanted the church to fall within the city's ordinance.

In this residential zone, the 50-foot requirement involves the distance the addition was to be from the adjacent residential property. With the zoning board's condition to allow the church to move part of the addition in the other direction toward Michigan Avenue, the church will be able to meet the 50-foot requirement.

With the compromise agreed upon, the church has scheduled a date for a

ground-breaking ceremony for the new addition. The ceremony will be held on Sunday, June 15, at noon.

Prior to the compromise, the two sides agreed on most of the basic facts in the case, but they had a different view on the way the board should use these facts.

In representing the McEvers' interests, Burmeister told the board that if the board members follow the city's ordinance, then they must find for the appellant, the McEvers.

Parks made the point that the code or ordinance can not be written to cover everything. This falls within the intent of the code, Parks said.

During his presentation to the zoning board of appeals before the compromise was made, Parks told the board members that if the addition was not approved, then the church would have to look elsewhere.

If the board decides in favor of the appeal, then the church would have to decide what to do next, Parks said. One of the options might be to move to a new location.

The two sides did disagree, but throughout the meeting the McEvers and Parks continued to mention the "good neighbor" status that has existed between the two.

"We want to stay there," Parks said at one point. Derek McEvers answered, "We want you to stay there."

City of Grayling, Grayling Township Master Plan discussed at town meeting

The following story is the first installment of the Master Plan series. This series will look into the City of Grayling/Grayling Township Master Plan.

by Lisa Hoffman
Staff Reporter

The City of Grayling/Grayling Township Master Plan which began at a town meeting in May 1995 was brought back to the people and discussed at a town meeting on June 2.

In May 1995, residents were divided into groups at the town meeting. Each group was asked to express their opinions and concerns about the City of Grayling and Grayling Township.

Those opinions and concerns were compiled by the Planning and Zoning Center out of Lansing.

The concerns were addressed and a draft of the Master Plan was created. That draft was then brought to the Grayling City Council and the Grayling Township Planning Commission.

Each of those groups made suggestions and the revisions were made and brought back to the people for the June 2 town meeting.

At the June 2 town meeting, Mark Wychoff of the Planning and Zoning Center, told residents that "the master plan is a policy guide, not a regulation." The purpose of the master plan is to guide policy and decision making for all future land and infrastructure development decisions within the City of Grayling and Grayling Township.

However, the plan must first be adopted by the Grayling City Council and the Grayling Township Planning Commission. Once each board approves the plan a public hearing will be held so residents can express their concerns one last time.

Although the plan states specific land use and development policy and proposes specific land use arrangement, it has no regulatory power.

The land area covered by the plan includes the entire area of the City of Grayling and all of Grayling Township.

Because the future land use of lands adjacent to each jurisdiction affects the quality of life in the other and each jurisdiction has no regulatory land use authority beyond their respective

borders, each is dependent on the other to implement land use change along borders in ways that are mutually beneficial.

All proposed future land uses and policies presented in the plan were developed based on the following criteria:

- the natural capability of the land to sustain certain types of development;
- the important natural functions played by unique land and water resources in the area;
- the relative future need for residential, commercial and industrial land uses, as well as the existing land use distribution;
- the relationship of undeveloped lands to existing community character;
- the desires of local residents and public officials as expressed through interviews, town meetings and public hearings.

The plan is intended as support for the achievement of the following public objectives:

- to protect public health, safety and general welfare;
- to conserve and protect property values by preventing incompatible uses from locating adjacent to each other;
- to protect and enhance quality of life in the city and township;
- to protect and preserve the natural resources, unique visual character and environmental quality of the area;
- to maintain and enhance employment opportunities and the tax base of the area;

to promote an orderly development process which is paced in coordination with the city's and township's ability to provide services and which permits public officials and citizens an opportunity to monitor change and review proposed development in a reasonable manner; and

to provide information from which to gain a better understanding of the area and its interdependencies and interrelationships and upon which to base future land use and public investment decisions.

The plan is presented to help all elected and appointed officials to make difficult choices between competing interests and to serve as a guide for decision making.

The plan should be consulted when reviewing rezonings, variances and special use permits; public improvement projects and when reviewing land subdivision and lot splits.

The planning process used in developing the City of Grayling/Grayling Township Master Plan included a joint meeting of the City Council, Township Planning Commission and Township Board, mapping, data analysis, consideration of alternative development options in various parts of the city and township, two town meetings and one joint public hearing.

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PET MILK TRIPLETS -- The triplets (from left) are Barbara, Beverly and Betty. This picture was used on the back of PET milk cans after the birth of the triplets in 1937. The triplets will be celebrating their 60th birthday in Grayling.

Triplets to celebrate 60th birthday in Grayling area

by Lisa Hofman
Staff Reporter

On June 22, a set of triplets will celebrate their 60th birthday in Grayling.

Barbara Dey was born first, three minutes ahead of Beverly, who was born three minutes ahead of Betty.

Each baby weighed between 2 1/4 and 2 1/2 pounds. The doctor delivered them at home, placed them in a shoebox and put them in the oven to keep

warm.

Betty started to turn blue and was rushed to the hospital in a hearse because the ambulance was not available.

Barbara Brasington, who lives in Arizona, Beverly Fairbanks and Betty Damsen, who both live in Grayling will celebrate their 60 years together after spending some time apart.

When the triplets were eight, their mother, Mary Dey, passed away. Their father, Theodore Joseph, was left to raise eight children. Richard was 12, a set of twins (Ted and Erna) born 15 months before the triplets and their baby brother Bobby, who was two, were left along with their half brother Raymond.

He tried to raise us for six months

after our mother died, but he couldn't do it," Betty said. "I never realized what my father had to go through until I was older. He tried his best."

The children were placed in the Methodist Children's Home. Richard and Bobby went to one foster home, where Bobby was adopted. The triplets went to another foster home and the rest of the family was split up, as well. However, due to the efforts of a family friend the children kept in contact with each other and saw each other on holidays.

The children also got to see each other at Camp Knight of the Pine in Cheboygan. They were known as the seven Dey's of the seven Knights.

"Our father didn't drive, but when we went to camp he took the bus to Cheboygan and walked the rest of the way to camp so he could see his children," Betty said.

"Our (the triplets) first foster home was together, but we were split up when we were 13," Betty said.

"We lived in several foster homes, but I felt our life was normal," Betty said.

"We always had good people behind us and we always had people there for us," Beverly said.

"I consider us fortunate for all that we went through. We all graduated and we all had good jobs," Beverly added.

Although each child grew up in different homes and apart from each other, "we still to this day stick together. We've always been there for each other," Betty said.

Barbara lives in Arizona and one child lives in Texas, but the remainder of the family including children and grandchildren are spread across the State of Michigan.

"We see Barbara at least once a year," Beverly said. "We also call her on the phone."

"We take all of our children on at least one outing a year, too," Beverly added.

The Dey twins were the first set of twins the doctor delivered and the Dey triplets were the first set of triplets the doctor delivered, but the children were not exploited.

Few people knew who the triplets were when their pictures appeared on the back of PET milk cans. "We were put on the can and they supplied us with milk and formula," Betty said.

Betty has lived in Grayling for five years. Beverly has lived in Grayling for two years.

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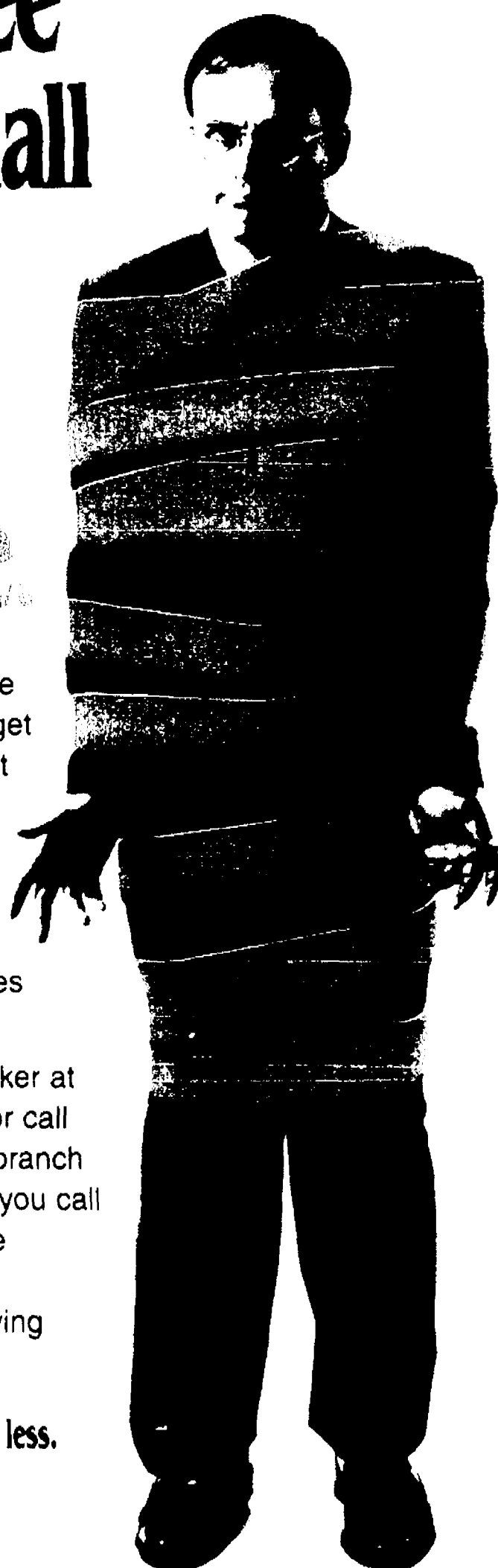
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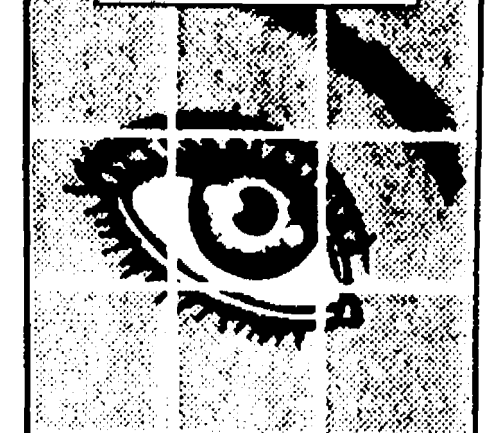
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Local park to receive national attention

On June 16, Howard Taylor, founder of Wellington Farm Park will present the park along with some of the local history which he has discovered while developing the park, at the national convention of the Association For Living Historical Farms and Agricultural Museums.

The convention is a week-long event being hosted by the Museum of American Frontier Culture and Mary Baldwin College, College of Staunton, Virginia. In his presentation, Taylor will discuss the development of the community of Wellington and an attempt by the then Crawford County Board of Supervisors, to entice unsuspecting and unknowing immigrants into coming to Crawford County to take up land and begin farming.

In his presentation, Taylor will also be presenting Wellington Farm Park and its attempt to present to the public this portion of local history, as well as the depiction of rural American life in the midst of the Great Depression.

Attending the convention in Virginia, will be several hundred administrators and staff members of

open air museums, living history farms and agricultural museums from the United States, Canada, Great Britain and Australia.

The staff and management of Wellington Farm Park are proud that they have been asked to present Wellington Farm Park to this prestigious organization so soon after its initial beginning. Wellington Farm Park, though only in its second full season of operation, is recognized nationally as an accurate presentation of the way of life of the American Farmer during the depression years of 1928 through 1934.

Wellington Farm Park is located at 6940 South Military Road and is open to the public daily from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

ESTABLISHING A BUSINESS Cheryl Ruley holds just one of the many baskets she has for sale at No Place Like Home, a business established out of her home at 2550 M72. "My main goal is get a gift basket business going," Ruley said. Besides baskets Ruley sells needlework, wreaths and other handmade crafts. The hours of operation are Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. or by appointment. Call 344-1030 or 1-888-866-6754 for more information.

Host families needed

Kirtland Community College is anticipating an increase of its foreign student population in the Fall 1997. Plans are underway to enroll students from China, the Ukraine, and Ghana.

"We are very excited about this prospect," said Tanya Puchkova, Foreign Language Program and Cultural Exchange coordinator.

"We hope this will be the next step in our long-term goal of developing an international atmosphere at Kirtland. We are sure that the presence of foreign students in our area will benefit not only our students and faculty, but our community residents as well."

Interested persons can contact Tanya Puchkova at (517) 275-8935 or 275-5121, ext. 279.

like to host a foreign student for at least one or two semesters."

Host families should be able to provide room and board, and transportation to Kirtland, or live in an area that has a bus connection to the college.

"In return for this generosity," said Puchkova, "as a host family you will get a responsible young adult from a foreign country, who speaks English, is a full-time student at Kirtland, and who is happy to share his or her culture with you."

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by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

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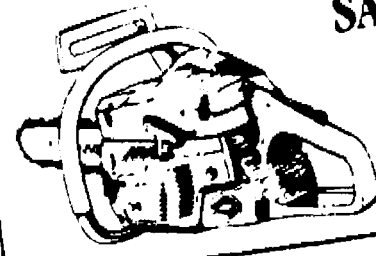
One of the few down sides to an increase in activity can be an increase in injuries. When it comes to the feet, the tendons are often on the front lines. As "bridges" connecting muscles to bones, tendons can be strained or torn, resulting in swelling, stiffness and pain. One of the greatest dangers to these soldiers is the eagerness to get back into the swing of activity before healing is complete. Even a tendon that is only mildly overstretched generally requires at least 24 to 48 hours of rest, including use of ice packs and foot elevation. The more severe the strain, the longer the period of recuperation. A torn tendon is always a serious injury requiring professional treatment, physical therapy, and, in some cases, surgery. Recovery may take several months.

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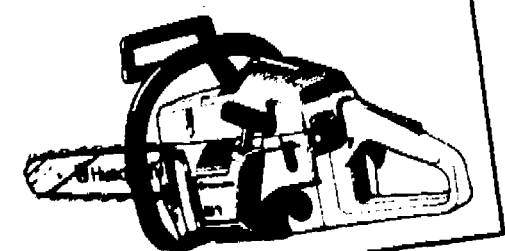
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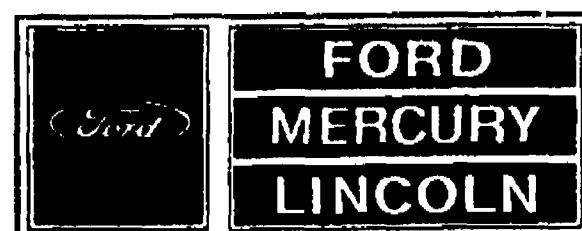
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OPINIONS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



ALMANACK

Richard Milliman

Cigarette ads facing fire

I SEE BY the papers the Michigan Senate wants to prohibit billboards from carrying cigarette ads.

Anti-smoking seems to be a popular crusade these days, and Michigan lawmakers went along with the billboard ban 31-6. If the State House and governor agree, it will become state law.

Sen. Loren Bennett of Wayne County, chief sponsor of the bill, claimed the idea is to help children.

He said the tobacco industry uses billboards to show kids it's cool to smoke cigarettes.

Opponents of the ban went to another appealing argument: The Constitution.

Banning tobacco billboards restricts First Amendment rights, claimed Sen. Philip Hoffman of Jackson County, warning that "when you lose a right, you don't get it back."

Although a bit overstated in the extreme, Mr. Hoffman's right about rights.

Sen. John Schwarz of Calhoun County argued "if...it's a legal product, you should be able to advertise it."

He's right.

On the other side of the coin, Sen. Joe Conroy of Flint said tobacco is the worst offender of the public's health

and "should be regulated."

He's right, too... but not by banning billboards.

AS A NATION, we seem a bit paranoid about tobacco.

Most folks agree its use is bad for health -- yet we still permit it. Smokes are sold openly in stores and shops and machines almost everywhere you look.

The only restriction is one of age, and that's enforced only spottily.

We accept that tobacco use sooner or later sickens and even kills a lot of people. Yet our national policy is to subsidize tobacco farming.

However, the U.S. Surgeon General repeatedly has warned about the dangers of tobacco.

Our national policy is this: Raising tobacco is good for the country, but using it is bad for people.

One state legislature banning billboards advertising is not the way to solve the problem.

If advertising tobacco products is to be prohibited on billboards, then it should be banned every where else, too -- newspapers, magazines, television, fancy packaging, store displays, every way imaginable to discourage its use.

And if advertising a product is to be outlawed, then so should its use... and more importantly, any taxpayer subsidy for tobacco in any way should be halted immediately -- and made retroactive if possible.

MORE ON ADS -- Speaking of advertising, the big corporations who regularly pour millions of dollars into television advertising sometimes come upon a dilemma.

Such was the case for some big spending corporations when the "Ellen" TV show ventured into the once taboo area of lesbianism.

For the big advertisers, the questions was what to do.

Should they keep their ads on the popular show -- especially since it had been hyped extravagantly for many weeks ahead of time -- regardless of the delicate subject matter and how the public might react?

Or should they pull their ads, at least from that particular show, because of corporate, personal or expected public opinions?

Some pulled, some stayed, and the show went on.

THOSE WHO stayed received a

warm hand from at least one Letter to the Editor of a Detroit newspaper.

This writer commended the sponsors for refusing to be "intimidated by the Christian Right or homophobia."

The writer drew this conclusion: "It is heartening when individuals and corporations take a stand against bigotry and applaud understanding, freedom and rights for all."

Indeed, a noble thought... but in my view, a bit misguided.

In a situation like this one, corporations do not spend millions of dollars on television advertising to condemn the evils in society, nor to applaud understanding, freedom and rights for all.

They spend their money to sell products.

They advertised on the "Ellen" show because it was good for their business, or possibly they decided that not to advertise on the show would be bad for business.

Any other effect was only incidental.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

Questions answered by Top O'Michigan PR man

To the editor,

I am writing in response to a letter from William Ross that appeared in your June 5 edition concerning his view that Grayling residents should do their business with a local propane company.

Mr. Ross refers to Top O'Michigan as one of these "out-of-town/out-of-state companies." The fact is that Top O'Michigan Propane is co-owned by Top O'Michigan Electric Company which has provided rural Crawford County residents with reliable electricity for 60 years. The company has a long history of providing emergency service 24 hours a day, seven days a week to rural residents within its 12-county territory.

Top O'Michigan has operated a field office in Grayling for many years. Each year, electric cooperative employees from across the state come to the Grayling office for training, which also brings dollars into the community.

Mr. Ross also accuses Top O'Michigan of using "gimmicks and low ball prices" to attract business. Here's what Top O'Michigan General Manager Ed Doss said on page 13 of

the May/June 1997 issue of Country Lines magazine: "If you care only about the lowest price and are willing to put up with poor service and its resulting worries and inconveniences, then don't buy propane from us. But if you want value, as well as price, we're ready to serve you." The magazine is mailed to all Top O'Michigan customers.

Top O'Michigan will also open a heating and cooling subsidiary in July that will be able to handle emergencies like the one Mr. Ross experienced in the winter of 1995-96 when his furnace quit. More information on this new business will appear in the July/August issue of Country Lines.

We agree with Mr. Ross that prompt and friendly local service is very important. That's why we started Top O'Michigan Propane this spring. That's also why Top O'Michigan will soon sell, install and service high efficiency heating and cooling equipment.

Michael Hansen,
Manager,

Customer & Public Relations
Top O'Michigan Electric Co.

Plant worker believes TV station didn't do proper job

To the editor,

On approximately April 10, the Chrysler Mound Road Engine Plant went on strike. This strike caused a domino effect which caused other Chrysler Plants and independent parts supplier plants, ITT Automotive in Roscommon included, to layoff employees indefinitely.

On or about April 20, local television station, WWTV/WWUP TV 9&10, which is an affiliate of CBS, arrived at the ITT Automotive Roscommon Plant and talked to the plant manager, Jon Walter. They received permission to film the plant for a story on how northern Michigan workers were being laid off because of the UAW strike at Chrysler. Unfortunately, I was filmed with two other workers while on break and standing in the plant parking lot. At no time was I ever informed of being filmed, by either the TV station or by ITT Automotive.

The story was shown on the 6 o'clock news and the next day I was told about it by fellow workers. Needless to say, I took some good-hearted teasing. I took this teasing in stride because to me this seemed to be a good story. It was letting the local communities know that some of their neighbors may be out of work for some time.

On May 7, this same video footage was shown on the 5:30 and 6 p.m. news by TV 9&10. The story was completely changed from the first showing. TV 9&10 was now telling the public that one of the reasons that the Chrysler workers were on strike was because of outsourcing of some of their products. The three ITT Automotive workers on the video were now being shown as "SCAB" laborers who were taking work away from fellow UAW members. TV 9&10 did mention on this second airing of the video that the Roscommon plant was a UAW plant. They also mentioned that according to the plant manager, this plant could make products for the big three 60 percent cheaper than the "big three" corporations.

Again, I did not see this second news story and was told about it the next day by fellow workers. This time at work, I was called a "SCAB worker" and ridiculed the rest of the week. I ignored the ridiculing, but became more and more angry that this type of news coverage could take place. My

wife called the TV station but was told that they had done nothing wrong and that they had been given all the facts by plant manager Jon Walter. My wife was then transferred to the TV 9&10 general manager, where she had to leave a message on his voice mail because he did not accept her call. He never returned her call.

I believe that all the facts were not given in this second story. The following facts were never mentioned:

1) Was the public told about how the ITT Automotive workers were being forced to work 10-hour days while their fellow employees were out of work because of the layoff?

2) Where the employees asked about their feeling and emotions about the strike?

3) Was the public told about the possible sale of the ITT Automotive seat system plants and how this sale could affect the local communities?

4) Was the public told the reason that ITT Automotive can make a product for 60 percent less than the "big three" corporations, is that ITT Automotive pays its workers approximately 60 percent less than the "big three" workers?

5) Was the fact that very few parts, if any, made at the ITT Automotive Roscommon plant are directly shipped to the "big three" plants, and that the parts made in Roscommon are actually sent to other independent parts suppliers, who then assemble a final product to be sold?

These facts were never mentioned and the public is again misinformed by the news media of the whole story. This, in my opinion, is another example of shabby journalism and another reason why the public should check all the facts before believing what it hears and sees on TV, the newspapers and the radio.

Needless to say, I am very angry about this situation and how it has been handled by both ITT Automotive and TV 9&10. I believe that I and my co-workers have been inaccurately portrayed on the news. The people of America trust the news media as a way to keep in touch with what is happening in our world, but as usual, all the facts were not given.

Lawrence Carpenter,
Grayling

Corrections

In last week's Avalanche the city council article included a quote which should have been paraphrased instead of a direct quote. The statement -- The city attorney and city manager are putting up road blocks and breaking the law in the name of the city -- should have not been in quotes, but

still attributed to Monte Burnmeister. The Avalanche apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused. The pictures on page 1B of students performing in a grandparents concert were misidentified. The students are students of Grayling Elementary School, not Frederic Elementary School as the caption stated.

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POINT OF VIEW

by Kent S. Reynolds, Crawford AuSable Schools Superintendent

Strategic planning sets direction for the twenty-first century

As summer approaches, families are planning trips. You wouldn't think of leaving on a vacation in your car without a map. You need a road map to guide you to your destination. Like a family planning to depart on a trip, a school district needs a road map to guide it to its destination. Our destination is the next century.

The board of education and administration began planning for the twenty-first century in 1992 with a strategic plan developed with input from the community, staff, and students. That first five-year plan created a direction supported by the community. It guided the district through Michigan's school finance reform, Proposal "A", and the recently completed construction project.

The plan outlined a direction for technology with a district wide area network for voice, video and data, a networked computer in every classroom, a video retrieval system, electronic reference retrieval, two-way voice/video interactive television, cable and satellite reception, and access to outside resources (Internet). While in 1992, most components of the technology plan seemed a long way off if not impossible, they will all be in place when school opens next fall. Without a plan, we would not have been ready when the 1995 successful bond issue and Proposal "A" made the money available for implementation.

The plan outlined a district organizational model based on site-based decision making. During the past four years we have implemented and refined the model. Professional and support staff, parents, administrators, and students (high school and middle school) are involved in decision making through school improvement teams at each building. All stakeholders share in making decisions regarding issues that directly concern them. Without a plan, we would still be operating in a "topdown" fashion.

The plan gave a high priority to finding a solution to district overcrowding at the elementary and middle school levels. Solutions were studied and proposed and in 1995, voters approved funding for the AuSable Primary School. The opening of the school last fall brought an end to 20 years of overcrowding in our elementary and middle school buildings. The plan kept us on task.

The plan also provided the direction for the following during the past five years: parent advisory groups in each building; a new phone system with additional lines, voice mail, and hotlines; more friendly parent teacher conferences; more regular building newsletters; changes in the graduation requirements recommended by a business/industry advisory council; annual graduate follow-up surveys; a

county entry-level employment survey; programs teaching and reinforcing social skills; alternative education programming; a district testing philosophy and policy; media center standards; professional development leading to more integration of curriculum; and an improved food service and nutrition program. Without a plan, most of these improvements would not have occurred.

At their regular meeting of June 16, the board of education will adopt a new district strategic plan to guide the district through June of 2002. The plan was outlined last spring by a committee of 45 members representing business and industry, parents, students, professional and support staff, administration, and the board of education. During this year, specific strategies have been developed through building school improvement teams, building North Central Association teams, the district improvement team, and the administrative team and board of education.

The new strategic five-year plan sets a direction for the district to work toward the following: help students develop a sense of community responsibility; implement programs to address the needs of violent and disruptive students; improve student behavior outside the classroom;

eliminate substance abuse; improve attendance; with the community, pursue a planned solution on sexual responsibility issues; structure technology decision making; continue to improve staff development especially with technology; integrate technology into all curricular areas; address programs for dropouts and non-traditional learners; improve vocational and tech prep programming; insure that the curriculum has a strong community component; insure that curriculum is implemented which is consistent with the State of Michigan model core curriculum and with MEAP and HSPT standards; address the infrastructure needs of the high school; continue to improve internal and external communication; implement a plan to train and support substitute employees; improve data collection and analysis; monitor district infrastructure needs; develop a process and tools for program development and assessment; and restructure personnel evaluation.

Strategic planning provided an excellent road map for the last five years. Following that road map has brought significant improvement to the district. Our new road map will lead us into the next century with a clear direction set by representatives from all community and school stakeholders.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line.

Every letter must be signed and an address and phone number should be included. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

Letters are limited to 500 words. All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

EDITOR

Studies don't clear up the many concerns

To the editor,

In response to the concerns that many residents of South Branch Township and Crawford County have expressed, the Forest Dunes representatives have repeatedly assured us that their studies completed prior to construction would set all our fears to rest. The two they have turned in so far have instead engendered new concerns and increased the intensity of those we already had.

Their traffic impact study based the bulk of its projections upon old MDOT studies of the I-75/Four Mile Road exchange done prior to the construction of the Total/Super 8 complex. Actual on-site vehicle counts were done at the same intersection during a two-week period in Dec. of 1996. The study does not take into account the huge seasonal increase in traffic that already occurs along Chase Bridge Road each summer. Nor does it take into account the impact heavy construction equipment will assuredly have upon the already fragile road system that currently exists.

What Forest Dunes representatives have called their Environmental Impact study is in fact nothing more than the "Natural Resources Management Plan," a guideline for turf management, that nowhere addresses issues specific to Forest Dunes such as the proximity of the Mason Tract, the South Branch of the AuSable or the Kirtland warbler habitats that surround the property on three sides. Nor does it take into account the likely possibility that any or all of four separate species of endangered or threatened plants may grow within its boundaries.

And we have yet to see any type of comprehensive fire suppression plan. Fire-resistant roofing material, strict lawn maintenance and brush-clearing bylaws are all fine preventative measures, but they will not put out a wildfire once it gets moving. At present, the only plan put forth for fighting a fire that's already raging utilizes lakes they still aren't sure they can build. There is no backup provision in the event that those lakes are not feasible.

I'd also like to remind everyone that the tax gain issue is too variable to count on at this point. Remember, production and building costs are not taxable. Unless, and until, homes are built on the property, the tax revenue generated by the development will be negligible in comparison with the costs incurred by the township and the county in regards to increased services the development will demand even in production phase. We will likely be dealing with requests for increased police patrol to safeguard construction equipment and materials; an increased number of deer/vehicle accidents; construction accidents; wildfires parked by equipment, or carelessness; sewage disposal issues for workers that will demand health department inspection; and the costs of maintaining and repairing road surfaces chewed up by heavy equipment they were never designed to handle.

Nothing that Forest Dunes has presented so far allays my initial concerns. In fact, what they've shown us has simply added new ones.

Leanne Tingstad,
South Branch
Township resident



LIFE SAVER - Ron Doe from Grayling (left) accepts congratulations from Kevin Courtney, Big Rapids director of Public Safety. Doe rescued a boy from drowning on the Muskegon River.

FSU student from Grayling saves child from river

In the town of Big Rapids, Ferris State University student Ron Doe is no John Doe.

The 25-year-old pre-nursing student from Grayling jumped into the cold waters of the Muskegon River on May 22 to rescue a two-year-old boy from drowning. The child had wandered from the playground area and found his way into the river, where he was drawn in by the current.

Doe is a graduate of Grayling High School. He is the son of Ronald and Doris Doe of Grayling.

Doe and his girlfriend, Stacie Nimphie, a dental hygiene student from Fenton, were having an early evening picnic at Hemlock Park when they noticed something in the river. Doe quickly dove into the swirling waters to pull the unconscious child to safety. Two slaps to the back revived the boy as he gasped for air and began to breathe again.

"I was lucky to be at the right place

at the right time," Doe said. "I doubt anyone else would have seen him in the river before he was swept downstream."

Kevin Courtney, Big Rapids director of Public Safety, was eager to officially recognize Doe for his heroics. He indicated that Doe will be honored with the "Citizen's Award" at a Big Rapids City Commission meeting in Aug.

Doe also saved a life in January 1996 when he prevented an injured truck driver from bleeding to death at the scene of a double-fatality crash. Doe was driving to school to study when he happened across the head-on collision.

"It was a terrible accident and I was hit by a power line and knocked down. I can't believe I survived the bolt, but there were burn marks on my jacket. I took it off and held it to the man's jugular until the paramedics arrived."

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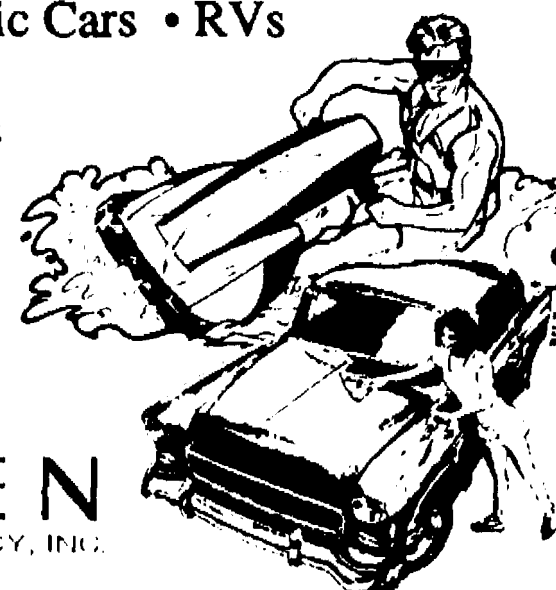
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Eric Gaertner

Stanley Cup calls Detroit its new home

I was in Detroit this past weekend to watch a sporting event.

Don't everyone start envying me now.

I did go to an athletic contest and didn't even have to dish out a mint of money. My group even had great seats — right behind home plate!

Alright, you figured it out. I wasn't one of the lucky Michigan residents who got to witness history Saturday night at Joe Louis Arena when the Red Wings won the Stanley Cup. Yep, I was one of the few (there were plenty of good seats available) who showed up to watch the Detroit Tigers play baseball in a mid-season game.

The baseball game was good, but nothing will meet the excitement generated by the Red Wings ending their 42-year cup drought.

It was great to see the Captain Steve Yzerman and the other players who exemplified the word "team" carry with pride the Stanley Cup. It was great to see a professional team win a title by contributions from every player, instead of one star player carrying the load.

The Red Wings do have some very good, star players, but everyone did their part to win each of the four series, including the four-game sweep of the Philadelphia Flyers. The Russian Five, Yzerman, Nicklaus Lidstrom, Bob Rouse, Mike Vernon, Brendan Shanahan and the "Grind Line" all played vital roles in the championship season. It proved how much of a "team" they were, because a case could have

been made for and against anyone of many players being chosen as the MVP. Conn Smythe winner.

With all of the bad things going on in the sports world, this type of accomplishment shows the world why people care about the outcome of these "games." That brings up a point — a pet peeve if you will. I hate it when I hear someone say, "Oh, it is just a game."

That's right, it is a game. Sports can bring people together from different backgrounds. Sports can also give friends and relatives something to talk and argue about, which keeps people in touch with one another. Sports can provide some pride for a city, state, university, high school and numerous other groups. Detroit definitely got some great exposure from out-of-state residents while the playoffs and finals were being played. According to some, this just adds to the many improvements Detroit is going through.

The "goose bump" moment for me was seeing Steve Yzerman carry the cup around with everyone going nuts — "wing" nuts. Yzerman has gone through the hard times and stuck with this organization. While most star players are looking for a quick way to make a buck or jump teams, Yzerman showed his loyalty to the fans of the Red Wings.

Yzerman said during the Fan Fest celebration Monday, "I'll never wear another jersey. I'll retire a Red Wing."

That is the way it should be.

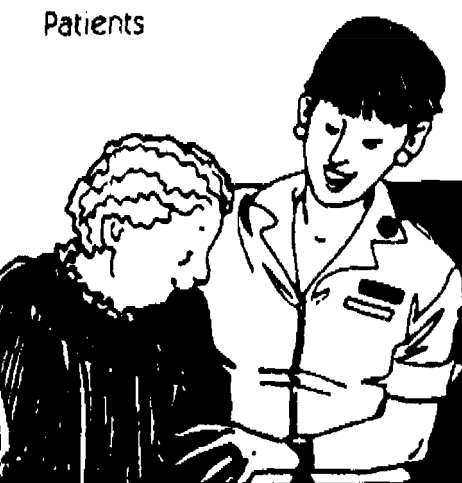
By the way, the Detroit Tigers game was interesting too. Seattle's Randy Johnson took a no-hitter into the eighth inning. Although I am a Tiger fan by trade, it would have been nice to watch someone pitch a no-hitter in person.

It is also interesting to note that the biggest applause came between innings when the PA announcer recognized the Red Wings accomplishment. They showed the Stanley Cup presentation on the big screen which drew a near standing ovation from the fans at Tiger Stadium. Maybe in about three or four years, the standing ovations in Tiger Stadium will be for the Tigers.

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The Bible Speaks

From the Calvary Baptist Church

Marilyn Manson Antichrist

The following quotes were copied on June 2 from a CNN on-line transcript of an interview by David Mattingly of satanic rock star Marilyn Manson.

"David: We've got more here, true or false, you want to bring about the end of the world? Manson: In a sense what I actually have said is that this record was meant to bring about the apocalypse. Which to me has always been something that I've seen as a mental armageddon. The idea of killing off old mentalities, and being born again into an individuality. So the idea is of destroying old ways of thinking and believing in yourself. Stop relying on the crutches of religions that have failed us in the past and believe in yourself."

"David: One thing that is really setting the woods on fire is your involvement with the church of satan. Could you explain that? Manson: The

church of satan has always been misconceived in America. It's not really my place to set it straight because it's one philosophy among many, that I base my belief system on. I've never limited myself to one thing. To make a long story short, the church of satan is a lot like a modern version of a philosopher like Nietzsche, who had the idea: God is dead, you are your own god. It's a lot about self preservation. A lot of people confuse it with devil worship. But as the Beatles were bigger than Jesus, Marilyn Manson is bigger than satan."

"David: You talk about underground and you can't get any further underground that satan I suppose? Manson: That's the fascination that everyone has and I touch a little bit upon an anti-Christ superstar idea. I'm always identified with the character of Lucifer in the bible because he was cast out of heaven because he wanted

to be God, so he was always the anti hero, the rebel. But the idea of anti-Christ to me is an element that is in everyone's personality. It's the part of you that no longer has hope in mankind. And you realize that you are the only thing you believe in. That's really bottom line."

God says: "Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son." (1 John 2:22) "Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time." (1 John 2:18).

Pastor "B"

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Municipal league hosts area meeting

At the 44th annual regional meeting, Ronald Leslie, city manager of East Tawas, was elected Chairperson of Region VI for the Michigan Municipal League's 1997-98 term. Also chosen were Jeffrey Fitch, president of Kalkaska, as Vice Chairperson and David Post, village manager of Hillman, as Secretary.

Over 70 mayors, village presidents and other elected and appointed municipal officials attended the meeting held on Wednesday, May 7, in Gaylord. Region VI includes cities and villages within the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon and Wexford. The

outgoing Regional Chairperson, William Tholl, councilperson of Gaylord, coordinated and hosted the meeting.

Since 1953, the Michigan Municipal League has held regional meetings in seven areas of the state. The annual gathering of officials on this regional basis provides the opportunity for an exchange of ideas and cooperative action in matters of mutual concern.

This year's program included presentations on: annexation, youth and gang violence in the small

community, brownfield redevelopment as well as a legislative update from the Michigan Municipal League's State and Federal Affairs Division. There was also a mobile workshop that featured the downtown development in the City of Gaylord.

The Michigan Municipal League unites 510 member cities and villages throughout Michigan to work cooperatively to improve the administration of municipal government.

Volunteer training set for area hospice

Hospice volunteer training, for Roscommon and surrounding areas, is scheduled for June 16, 17 and 23 from 7-9:30 p.m. at the Hospice Office, 107 Main Street, Roscommon.

Topics will include: communication awareness skills, understanding pain and symptom control, grief and bereavement, spiritual needs of the terminally ill, physical aspects of care and managing personal stress.

Volunteer Manager Cindy Witkowski noted that hospice volunteers do what they do best. She said that a place would be found for any friendly, compassionate individual who is willing to lend a caring hand.

Pre-registration is required for this course. To register call the hospice office at 517-275-8967 or 800-553-1978.

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"Clap... clap... This is kinda' fun, walking in Dad's shoes, but how does he do it all the time? They are so big and heavy! Will I ever be able to fill them, even in a million years?"

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A father possesses great power. Acts 7:51 states, "as your father did, so do ye." This Sunday, as we honor fatherhood, may all fathers realize their power, and use it for good, and may their children respect that power in order to grow in the knowledge of their father's wisdom and love.

Let us ultimately remember the power of our Heavenly Father as we worship Him this Father's Day. No one will ever fill His shoes.

Filling His Shoes

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
2 Corinthians 8:1-15	2 Corinthians 8:16-24	2 Corinthians 9:1-15	James 1:19-27
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Pastor Dale Hammond
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Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
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April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Paterson
400 Michigan Ave.
348-2974

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Sunday School 9:45-10:45 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

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Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
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AMERICAN FAMILY — Armands Graube, middle, sits between his host parents, Wayne and Marcia Koppa. The Koppas hosted the Latvian exchange student during the school year. Graube may return to the U.S. to attend college.

Exchange student enjoys Grayling stay

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

"I liked it here," exchange student Armands Graube said of his stay in Grayling at his home away from home. "I made many friends and enjoyed my time here."

Graube, 17, of Latvia, will be leaving Grayling on June 22 and returning to his homeland. During his time in the United States, Graube stayed with Wayne and Marcia Koppa and was a junior at Grayling High School.

Military reception planned

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, with the assistance of several area businesses, will be hosting a military reception at Camp Grayling Officers Club Thursday, June 12. The Michigan National Guard units will be the guests for this first of two reception for 1997.

Major Gen. E. Gordon Stump, Adjutant General for Michigan, will be in attendance. Some very nice door prizes have been donated for the occasion. The reception will be from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: A person who is always up in the air and harping on something is not necessarily an angel!

Special announcement: Change your Sunday Potluck plans from June 22 to June 29. Missed making the change in the Senior Gazette.

Spring and Summer are both finally here! Thank goodness! Watch out for fire danger and call first before doing any burning and watch your cigarettes!

Happenings at the Center and announcements of things to come: Birthday dinner on June 11 and our Father's Day Dinner and Dance on June 12 with Miss Roscommon and her court appearing: Frederic Satellite on June 13 with Pantry Bingo at the Center. June 16, Mystery Trip leaving at 10 a.m. Hangman game at 5:30 on June 17, speakers will be here at noon to talk about the new sports complex and at 5:30-Movie night with "Murphy's Romance" with James Garner and Sally Field. COA board meeting on June 18 and Lucky 7 Casino trip on June 19. Lovells Satellite, Pantry Bingo and Legal help on June 10. Potluck changed to June 29.

In addition to the Koppas, the Grayling Rotary Club was instrumental in supporting the student exchange. Graube, who spoke at a recent meeting of the Rotary Club about his experience, recognized the efforts of service club and his host family.

This was the ordinary cultural and educational exchange. The Koppas had a tie to Graube's family in Latvia prior to Graube coming to Grayling.

Wayne Koppa, former Camp Grayling commander, was in the Republic of Latvia for more than a year a few years back. Graube's father was also a military man, serving for the Latvia National Guard. Through the acquaintance of Koppa and Graube's parents, the connection was made to spend the school year in the United States.

The 17-year old was a good athlete and scholar at Grayling High School. Graube has taken all of his American college entrance tests and may return to the United States to attend college.

While in Grayling, the Latvian student competed in a sport during each of the three athletic seasons. He ran cross country in the fall, wrestled in the winter, and ran track during the spring.

During his presentation to the Rotary Club, Graube said he has always liked to run which is why he competed in

cross country and track. He also competed in judo in Latvia, which he said is similar to wrestling, which drew his interest in that sport.

Graube explained that Latvia is about the same size as West Virginia and has a natural setting like Michigan.

He also added that the temperatures during the year are similar to Michigan, but Latvia does not get as much snow.

Latvia had been under Soviet Union rule until 1991 when the Soviet Union broke up. Explaining the economy and way of life, Graube said the average wage is about \$175 per month, and most people don't have their own car and don't normally own their home.

One of the interesting experiences Graube had was during his flight to northern Michigan. He was on the airplane going from Washington, D.C. to this area when the video on the airplane was about the AuSable River Canoe Marathon. After seeing this on the flight, Graube said he thought he must be going to some big and famous place.

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Wade and Nicole Hartman of Roscommon are proud to announce the arrival of Chad Michael, born on May 27.

Juveniles cause house damage

Officers from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office investigated three separate breaking and enterings and malicious destruction of property complaints that occurred off McIntyre Landing Road in Grayling Township. Upon their investigations seven juveniles were found to be involved in the crime. The suspects vandalized the three residences extensively in an approximate value of \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Six of the juveniles were from the Grayling area and one was from Indian River. Ages ranged from 12-16 years of age.

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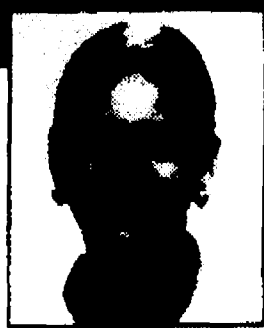
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HEALTHLINE

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A.

Question: After watching a popular new movie, I became concerned about tornadoes. What should I do if I ever saw one approaching?

Signed: Weather Watcher

Answer: When it comes to tornadoes, your immediate action can mean the difference between safety and injury or even life and death. The following suggestions are those of the American Red Cross entitled "Tornado Safety Rules."

- In office buildings - go to an interior hallway on a lower floor or in the basement.
- In factories - post a lookout if a warning is received. The factory should have made advance plans for employees to move quickly to the section of the building that offers the greatest protection.
- In homes, small buildings and vehicles - go to the basement or to an

interior part of the house on the lowest level, preferably a closet, bathroom or interior hall. Get under something sturdy and stay away from windows. If in a mobile home (which may overturn) or vehicle, leave and go to a substantial structure such as a community building. If driving, leave the vehicle and lie flat in the nearest ditch, ravine or culvert and shield your head with your arms. Do not try to outrun a tornado with your vehicle.

- In schools - go to an interior hallway in the lowest floor. Avoid large rooms with wide free span roofs such as auditoriums and gymnasiums. If the building is not of reinforced construction, go to a nearby building that is or else move quickly to an open ditch and lie flat.

As a general rule - inside shelter in a tornado cellar, underground excavation or steel framed or reinforced concrete building is the best protection from tornadoes. Stay away from windows. Keep in mind that the term "tornado watch" means tornadoes are expected to develop while "tornado warning" means a tornado has actually been sighted in the area.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED - Lori Ann Wehl, of Williamsburg, and Michael James Abney, of Grayling, announce that they are engaged to be wed. Lori is the daughter of Edwin and Linda Wehl, of Coleman. Michael is the son of James and Myrtle Abney, of Grayling. Lori is a graduate from Coleman High School and Delta College and is employed at Lake States Insurance Company as an accounts receivable clerk. Michael is employed at Georgia-Pacific Beaver Creek Plant as a chemical technician. The couple is planning a Sept. 6, 1997 wedding at Calvary Baptist Church in Grayling.

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In response to growing local handgun ownership, officials of Kirtland Community College hope to offer a Home Safety Firearms course in June.

Thomas Grace, detective/lieutenant for the Ogemaw County Sheriff Department and firearms coordinator for Kirtland's Criminal Justice Program, developed the new course. Grace said he has seen a tremendous increase in popularity of small weapons over the past two years.

While home protection appears to be a major reason, Grace said personal safety is also a motivator, particularly among men who buy handguns for their wives or girlfriends. But in the hands of an untrained user, a weapon can actually increase danger rather than reducing it, according to Grace.

"I think that through our media and so on, handgun use is so accepted that, for many of us, it's very easy to become lax as far as safety is concerned," he said. Another danger factor lies in the vast differences among firearms.

Grace said a common misconception is "if you've fired one gun, you can fire them all."

"There are so many different types of guns that are on the market, each one having its own location of safety mechanisms," he added.

Kirtland's 16-hour Home Safety Firearms course will emphasize safety while giving participants an opportunity to handle weapons built by a variety of manufacturers. Participants will not be required to own or supply a gun for the class.

Basic shooting techniques will be taught, using a computerized simulator called "Range 2000," before the class advances to actual hands-on practice at an outdoor range. Other topics to be covered include: transport procedures, according to Michigan law, concealed weapons laws, care of the weapon,

fundamentals of marksmanship; and proper ammunition for each weapon.

Grace emphasized that the course is appropriate for all levels of experience. "This is especially designed for people who have very little or no experience; however, it will accommodate even someone who has some hands-on training," he said.

Each person who successfully

completes the class will receive a certificate and a course outline that can be presented when applying for a concealed weapons permit. "In most cases, with the way the current laws are right now, this should satisfy most gun boards that I've talked to," Grace said.

Also under development at Kirtland is a Concealed Weapons Program that

would address the more comprehensive education requirement included in proposed state legislation.

The Home Safety Firearms course will be offered "upon demand," meaning when enough people express interest to warrant scheduling a class.

Persons interested in attending the course should call Kirtland's Criminal Justice Office at 517-275-5121, ext. 283.



NEW AREA CHURCH — Rex Franklin is the minister of a new church in the area. The Unity of Gaylord church in Waters is located at Otsego Township Hall. The church was brought about by a group of dedicated people who desired a unity church in this area. According to the church, unity is an extremely positive approach to life, seeking to accept the good in people and all of life.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on June 25, 1997.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD County, Michigan and are described as:

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The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: May 15, 1997

ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee
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Said premises are situated in CITY OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD County, Michigan, and are described as:

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Tanker put into dust control service

The Road Commission For Crawford County is one of the few remaining road commissions that provides dust control service directly, and they will continue to do so throughout 1997.

"As of May 29, 1997, The Board of Road Commissioners has put a 6,000-gallon tanker into dust control service, in addition to the 2,000-gallon brine/blade truck," said Ray Swiercz, chairman of The Road Commission board.

"Priorities include brine on roads where gravel is being hauled by the Road Commission and locations where gravel is being added, as well as gravel roads where homes are located," Swiercz explained.

Information about private sector dust control services and costs has been made available to the six townships, individuals and local businesses, for those who want more frequent service and other products.

Residents, business owners and

public officials have looked into the use of Dow Flake on roads in Maple Forest and Frederic townships. Residents in Beaver Creek Township have contracted with a private provider, C & S Dust Control, which uses a penetrating emulsion product (PEP), said to last all summer, with one or two applications.

The Road Commission For Crawford County is coordinating the use of its blade trucks and crews to prepare gravel roads prior to the

application of dust control services by the private sector.

Dow Flake and PEP are more effective and longer lasting materials for dust control than the relatively weak mineral brine which comes from the wells operated by the Road Commission, said James Briney, road commission managing director. Dow Flake may be purchased by the bag. Information about PEP may be had by calling 1-800-748-0462.



SUDENTS OF THE MONTH-- The Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for May were Jessica Abfalter, Larry Baynham, Marcus Bobenmoyer, Amanda Boone, Grant Byce, Jason Collen, George Cooper, Maeghan Corwin, Michelle Elsner, Jennifer Feutz, David Golnick, Jeremiah Haskin, Jason Henning, Lindsay Lokovich, Nicole Lutz, Kira Maples, Danielle Mathey, Heather Merchant, Sean Mitchell, Ann Nettlton, Tressa Ney, Tracy Parkinson, Ryan Richardson, Thomas Schwalm, Denae Southworth, Shannon Terry, Anna Todoroff, Matt Thomas, Matt Tuck, Christy Voelker, Dustin Wilcox and Bryan Winchester.

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Marine Lance Cpl. Brian C. Robinson, son of Jerry H. and Terri S. Robinson of Grayling, recently returned to Camp Lejeune, N.C., after completing a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea while serving with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

Robinson is one of nearly 3,500 Marines and Sailors aboard the ships of the USS Nassau Amphibious Ready Group, which included the amphibious transport dock USS Nashville and the dock-landing ship USS Pensacola led by the amphibious assault ship USS Nassau.

Early during the deployment, Robinson helped in the evacuation of civilians from Albania. Helicopters from Robinson's unit transported evacuees from more than 15 nations after the U.S. State Department decided that the civil unrest situation in the Eastern European country had worsened.

A few weeks later, elements from the 26th MEU aboard the USS Nassau arrived at Simba Station prepared for possible non-combatant evacuation operations off the coast of Zaire. Robinson's unit also secured the U.S. embassy compound in the country.

During the deployment, Robinson visited France Italy and Spain. While in port, Marines from Robinson's unit participated in community relations projects and delivered humanitarian supplies provided by Operation Handclasp.

Robinson's unit is an expeditionary intervention force with the ability to rapidly organize for combat operations in virtually any environment, providing a fast combat build-up against positions ashore or clearing the way for follow-on forces.

The 1994 graduate of Grayling High School joined the Marine Corps in May 1995.

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County environmental official starts the 'watchdog' job

Like any newly created position, the Crawford County Environmental Official position will change in particular roles and jobs as the position develops.

This new position has some specific areas which are already included, but as time goes by the job will encompass more and more details.

Pat Merrill, a Grayling resident, has been chosen by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners to serve as the first environmental official. Merrill officially started the new position on Monday, June 2.

One of the main reasons for the new position is to have someone to watch over the landfill. The county commissioners created the position by using funds that were ordered to be paid to the county by the court. This payment has to do with the lawsuits that were filed, involving the addition of more counties to the list the City Environmental Services of Waters landfill can accept trash from.



Pat Merrill

According to Merrill, the new job will include some help with the Forest Dunes Golf and Country Club project and the future recycling plans of the townships and county. Although these other items are part of the position, Merrill added, "the major part of the job involves the landfill."

Merrill will work directly for the county commissioners. He also is

available to listen to and answer residents' concerns. Merrill can be reached in his office by calling (517) 348-2841 ext. 258.

The new environmental official attended Central Michigan University and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Earth Science.

Although Merrill didn't official start on June 2, he has talked with various groups and persons to get an idea of the different aspects of the position. Merrill said he has spoke with Department of Environmental Quality officials and with some of the township supervisors.

BRIEFS

Alma named to NMC dean's list

Crawford County resident Ty Alma has been named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Northwestern Michigan College. Alma earned at least a 3.5 grade point average.

Becks awarded Alumni scholarship

Ann Becks, daughter of Robert and Carol Becks, Grayling, was awarded the Hope College Alumni Honors Scholarship. The \$3,000 tuition scholarship is renewable through the senior year.

Blood drive to be held July 2

An American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at the Grayling American Legion Hall on Wednesday, July 2 from noon to 5:45 p.m.

Ceremony to honor Flag Day

In observance of Flag Day, old American flags will be burned in a ceremony conducted by the American Legion, Grayling Post No. 106. Rites will be held at the post beginning at noon on Saturday, June 14.

CMU announces spring honors list

Grayling residents Amanda I. Bankert, sophomore; Patti L. Coe, senior; Elissa N. Cox, junior; Mandy N. Duvall, freshman; Nicole M. Gingerich, junior; Corey R. Northrop, freshman; Trisha D. Ormsbee, freshman; Nichole M. Siwula, freshman; Lee E. Taylor, sophomore; Melissa A. Wakeley, junior; and Cheryl A. Willoughby, senior, were all named to the Central Michigan University spring semester honors list.

Health department to hold clinics

The health department immunization clinics will be held June 18 and 23 and August 6, 11, 18, 20 and 25. Hearing and vision clinics will be held June 13, 16 and 27 and August 8 and 22.

Boater safety set for kids

Boater safety will be held for kids on Saturday, June 14.

The program is for kids who are from 12 to 15 years of age. This is an important program for the upcoming summer season. The boater safety session will go from 9 until 2.

People interested in the program can call 348-4616 and talk to Mike Johnson, Jr. (ext. 419) or Richard Meyer (ext. 308).

Michelson to have groundbreaking

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will hold a ground-breaking ceremony for its new addition at noon on Sunday, June 15. The community is welcome.

Milltown Follies to be on stage

The fifth Grayling Milltown Follies will be on stage on June 20-21 at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium. Tickets are on sale at Mac's Drugs.

Ormsbee graduates from LSSU

Chad D. Ormsbee of Grayling earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering technology and mechanical engineering from Lake Superior State University. The son of Brenda and Dennis Ormsbee was a member of the Tau Alpha Pi fraternity, ASL graduate research and peer tutoring. He is married to Holly Davis and has accepted an offer by Capital Technologies as a design engineer in South Bend, Ind.

County Fair will feature country

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Anne Marie will be bringing her "polished vocals" to the Crawford County Fair. She will be performing on Friday, June 27, and Saturday, June 28, at 8 p.m.

Appearing with Marie will be Dave and Linda KerKau. The KerKaus will perform at 6:30 p.m. both nights.

Admission for the show is \$5. Tickets are available in Grayling at Mac's Drugs.

Distributing food soon

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Stephan drops out of state rep race

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

"To be a successful legislator, when new legislation is being considered, means listening and presenting expressed beliefs. Northern Michigan may have been, at one time, of lesser influence in the State's overall outlook. As with law enforcement, this is no longer the case."

This statement was made by Grayling Police Chief Peter Stephan when he announced his intentions to become a Republican candidate for the state representative position of the 105th District. Stephan has since reconsidered.

"Personal reasons have caused me to reconsider my original decision to run for the 105th district," Stephan said. "I am therefore taking this opportunity to announce that I will no longer seek to be a candidate for the 105th District House of Representative office."

Stephan was one of the candidates who have so far entered the race for the House seat which will be open following the 1998 term. In 1998, because of term limitations, State Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling) will complete his six years of service as representative of the citizens of seven counties — Alcona, Antrim, Crawford, Kalkaska, Montmorency, Oscoda and Oscego.

Stephan, a Grayling resident, has served as Grayling City Police Chief since 1972. In making his decision to drop out of the state representative race Stephan said, "I will continue to serve the Grayling area in my present status as Chief of Police for the City of Grayling."

In a news release from Stephan, he stated, "With term limitation it is essential that the individual we elect in 1998 for the 105th district seat be capable of serving the entire term-limit span."

Although the police chief has dropped his candidacy, Stephan still realizes the importance of the 1998 elections.

"In 1998 the Michigan House of Representatives will face the possibility of as many as 75 out of 110 new members. There will be 65 seats vacated by term limitation," Stephan said. "History will prove whether or not term limits are beneficial. This will become more evident when the newly elected representatives begin their 1999 session."

Applications being taken for program

This summer, the Institute for Business & Industry Training (IBIT), a division of North Central Michigan College, will sponsor the Challenge Program at Camp Vanderbilt. The 10-day Challenge Program is offered free to 14-17 year old JTPA-eligible youth in northeast Michigan.

The Challenge Program includes: ropes course, a professionally built outdoor site designed to challenge participants physically and mentally; aquatics and canoeing in the Pigeon River; backpacking and survival skills in the Pigeon River Forest; and ecology studies in fields, forests, water and swamps. Camp Vanderbilt is located in the Pigeon River Forest and hosts 200 youth from northern Michigan each summer.

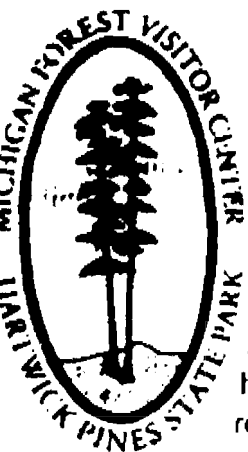
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(Above) Cyndie Ludwick, left, and Mary Phelps plant flowers along the sidewalk in front of Grayling City Hall. This was part of the project through the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce to decorate the area. (Right) Brittany Sloan was one of Mrs. (Karen) Rauch-Smock's students to plant flowers along Michigan Avenue in Uptown Grayling. The kids had a bake sale to raise money so they could do something for the community. The kids donated their money to the project and the Grayling Uptown District Association and the chamber provided the additional funding.



PINE WHISPERS

Hartwick Pines State Park

by Tonya Havercroft, Park Interpreter

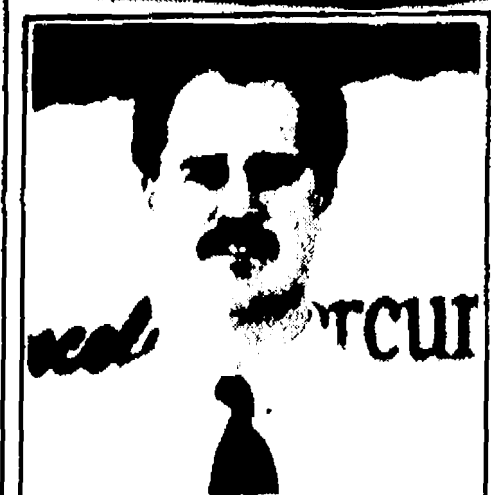
The Michigan Forest Visitors Center at Hartwick Pines will be hosting some regularly scheduled events as the use of the center begins to increase for the summer. Guided walks through the Old Growth Forest will be given twice daily at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The Old Growth Foot Trail starts off the back porch of the visitor center and continues into the old growth forest. Daily guided logging walks, through the logging museum, will also be offered at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The guided walks of the old growth forest and the logging museum leave periodically from the visitor center. Additional walks will be offered as staff permits. Both events will begin on June 16 and run through Sept. 1.

Additionally on June 16 the visitor center presents Summer Shop. Special

activities are planned for students grades 4-6. Those involved in Summer Shop will have a chance to reproduce 19th century toys, as well as be involved in historical games. This event will take place at the logging museum from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Summer Shop will also be occurring July 7, 14, and 21 for those with further interest.

The visitor center welcomes another program the same week. Z. Photography, featuring Bill Zadorski, will be holding an outdoor photography seminar on June 14, July 26, and Aug. 16. These classes will include indoor seminars and outdoor photography. They will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a \$35 charge. Persons wishing to pre-register or needing additional information should call (517) 348-2537.

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Master Plan discussed at town meeting

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The community character is expressed in chapter two of the plan. That character is as follows:

The AuSable River flows through Grayling Township and the City of Grayling. In addition to the Mainstream, there are also the South and East branches. The AuSable Riverfront has the following characteristics:

• homes are built on lots that are 100 to 300 feet wide and set back between 50 and 100 feet from the river;

• there are a few businesses and some undeveloped areas along the river segments located in both the city and township;

• some of the lots have remained in a relatively natural condition while others have cleared shorelines where lawns have been planted;

• small portions of the riverfront are in public ownership, but most is privately owned;

• large portions of the Mainstream and the North Branch of the AuSable River are included in the Michigan Natural Rivers Program, which includes certain regulations on development along the river;

• canoeing boat livery occupies prominent spots along the river in the city;

• there are a few log cabins but the architecture of the riverfront buildings generally do not reflect any particular theme;

• the river is largely hidden from view by a narrow river size, structures, high banks or lack of close public access to the river;

• there are both inhabited and uninhabited segments of the AuSable River outside of the city, but within the township;

• uninhabited riverbanks are typically wooded, with thick undergrowth. Trees primarily include various pine species and birch; and

• in some locations the riverbank is a low bank, while in others there is a steep bank 100 feet high. Portions of the riverbank are broad wetlands both east and west of the City of Grayling.

The downtown business/retail center is divided into four distinct commercial areas and these are not clearly identified to visitors as being inside or outside the city limits. The areas are

the strip commercial area north of the I-75 entrance to the city from the south on South I-75 Business Loop, the older downtown business area on Michigan Avenue, the commercial area beginning in the city and running north along the I-75 Business Loop into the township, and the M-72 commercial strip running west toward Lake Margrethe from the intersection of M-72 and the I-75 Business Loop in the city.

The four commercial areas share the following characteristics:

• they all suffer visually from a chaotic appearance and a poor quality of design of signs, buildings and landscaping. While it is not desirable that all buildings, signs and landscaping look alike, Grayling needs greater unity, greater use of detail, more use of local materials, finer workmanship, greater simplicity, more lush landscaping and more rigorous maintenance in order to improve quality of the first impression given to travelers;

• Grayling merchants effectively express the admirable qualities of individualism and a do-it-yourself approach. However, it results in an amateurish, often chaotic appearance and may translate into a poor competitive position (compared to other communities where greater attention to physical design and appearance is practiced) and a poorer quality of life for the people of Grayling; and

• while the Grayling area is surrounded by large areas of forest and other vegetation, there is little landscaping within the commercial areas. Vegetation is generally sparse or of a size or character that does not contribute to a memorable impression of Grayling.

There are several residential neighborhoods in the Grayling area. While a few are distinct, due to differences in age, tree cover and that they are located along Lake Margrethe or the AuSable River, the neighborhoods within the city have some similarities in appearance and share the following characteristics: generally comprised of small- to medium-sized homes and architectural styles range from ranch to colonial to log; homes in many sections of the city are well kept, but there are exceptions in which homes and yards suffer from neglect. This is also a characteristic of some of the homes in portions of the township abutting the city; home owners have, in many cases,

made improvements to their homes which do not follow the style of the original home. While these improvements generally contribute to the livability and function of each home, they can contribute to a less unified appearance.

Industrial development - industries in the Grayling area are largely located in two discrete areas, with additional, small industrial sites in scattered locations within or close to the city. About a dozen small- to medium-sized industries are located in the industrial park within the City of Grayling, just east of I-75. The larger industrial operations are located on either side of Four Mile Road, with the larger paper and chemical plants located on the south side of the road in Beaver Creek Township. Small, isolated industries are located along North Down River Road near the I-75 interchange. Characteristics of the industrial areas are: businesses within the industrial park are mostly in well-kept metal buildings, with open grounds and on-site storage areas; while some businesses have installed small ornamental plantings for beautification, pride and enjoyment of employees, more effective, large-scale road-side screening and windbreaks would be appropriate.

Grayling Township comprises the area of five standard townships. The bulk of the township is in public ownership and remains undeveloped. This contributes to a very natural appearance to the Grayling area and to the perception that natural resources are a very important element of life in Grayling. Important natural features include:

• the forests surrounding Grayling are the most visible natural resource feature. The forest is primarily pine with birch and aspen. Pine is both an asset and a potential liability, especially Jack Pine. Jack Pine tree stands are the most prone to fire. A fire in 1990 quickly burned 6,000 acres in less than 24 hours, destroying or damaging 75 homes and over 100 outbuildings;

• the forests are held in state, federal and private ownership;

• there is some timber cutting on the state forest land and these lands are also used extensively for recreation;

• the AuSable River flows through Grayling Township and the City of Grayling, heading east to Lake Huron. The AuSable is nationally known as one of the finest canoeing and trout fishing rivers in North America;

• there are large areas of wetlands

and lowland forest. While these areas help foster an abundant wildlife population, they also pose building constraints;

• soils within the city and township are generally sandy, although mucks and other soil types exist. Many of the sandy soils permit rapid percolation of water and pollution on or near the surface can pose a threat to groundwater; and

• the topography around the city is generally fairly flat. However there are steep slopes in isolated parts of the township and there are bluffs along many segments of the AuSable River.

The region's history is strongly related to lumbering, which flourished in the mid to late nineteenth century. From the region, logs could be floated east down the AuSable River and further west down the Manistee River (not within Grayling Township). Features relating to the history of the area which remain include:

• the large homes of several lumber barons remain on Peninsular Street. Nineteenth century and early twentieth century storefronts remain in the business section;

• Hartwick Pines State Park, located just north of the city, in the northern part of the township, is the last remaining stand of virgin white pine in the lower peninsula of Michigan. The park contains a lumbering museum and displays big-wheel log carriers and other artifacts of the lumbering industry;

• the landscape of the township, while largely rural in appearance, shows that lumbering once took place in the region. Where there is forest cover, it is second growth - not mature. The forest is still recovering from fires in the last century that occurred during or following forest clearing for timber harvest. Regrowth takes a long time on the poorer, sandy soils that are characteristic of much of the region. There are also many clearings where fires have occurred within the last 50 years, or where the forest has remained cleared due to failed farming attempts; and

• other historic structures, especially homes, are scattered along the AuSable and in older city neighborhoods. No large concentrations of historic structures remain.

Please see a future *Avalanche* for a continuation of the Master Plan story that will include the topics, trends and conditions, and existing land use

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Marathon history to be captured in book

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working with Lemmen and Cook on the book. "The family section is an interesting look at what families such as the Kelloggs, Stocktons, Koloniches, and Kolkas have accomplished."

Other sections in the book look at what lures people to the AuSable Marathon, who were the best paddlers ever, first-time experiences for racers, training for the race, a look at feeders and organizers, and bizarre race stories.

The limited-edition book will be published Nov. 22, 1997, by the AuSable River International Canoe Marathon Committee and will include results and stories about the 50th race this July. The book will cost \$30 if ordered before Aug. 1. The price will be \$40 if ordered after Aug. 1. To order, call the Grayling Marathon race

office at (517) 348-4425 for an order form. All money from the sale of books will go to the AuSable River Canoe Marathon.

"Although we already have quite a lot of interesting photographs," said Thompson, "if you have any from races before 1978, we would be interested in looking at them." Marathon fans can reach him by calling (517) 348-9359, writing the Marathon Race Office at P.O. Box 911, Grayling, MI 49738, or by e-mail at thompsonj@k2.kirtland.cc.mi.us.

"If they are valuable family photos, we can make copies and return them to you quickly," he said. "We're finding captivating pictures that should be shared with everyone connected with the race."

The book is just one of the many extra attractions connected to the 50th

race. With the prize money increased to \$50,000, a record number of teams is expected for this year's race. Special tributes and races for past paddlers will be held. A complete list of activities will be available soon. For more information, call (517) 739-9231 or (517) 348-4425 or visit the AuSable Marathon web site at www.kirtland.cc.mi.us/canoe.

Station is vote feature

Congressman Dave Camp (R-MI) voted for an amendment in the U.S. House of Representatives to stop funding for NASA's \$94 billion space station, which he called a threat to a balanced budget.

"We can not afford this big-budget action adventure in space," said Camp, in remarks to the House. "The space station has become a black hole for the taxes of working Americans. Space is infinite, but our resources are not."

Congress took action even as NASA plans the launch of several U.S. space station modules scheduled for 1997.

"This November, NASA will begin to launch \$94 billion dollars into orbit," said Camp. "Congress needs to get its priorities in order and admit that it can't afford this \$94 billion playground in space."

The space station project has been plagued with construction delays and funding problems since it's proposal in 1984, when the price tag was estimated at \$8 billion. Costs have since soared to \$94 billion. Building the station will take 40 expensive launches from the United States and Asia, numerous shuttle missions and construction of temporary station modules costing millions more.

Camp acknowledges the space station's value for education and scientific research, but said funding for those areas would be better spent on Earth.

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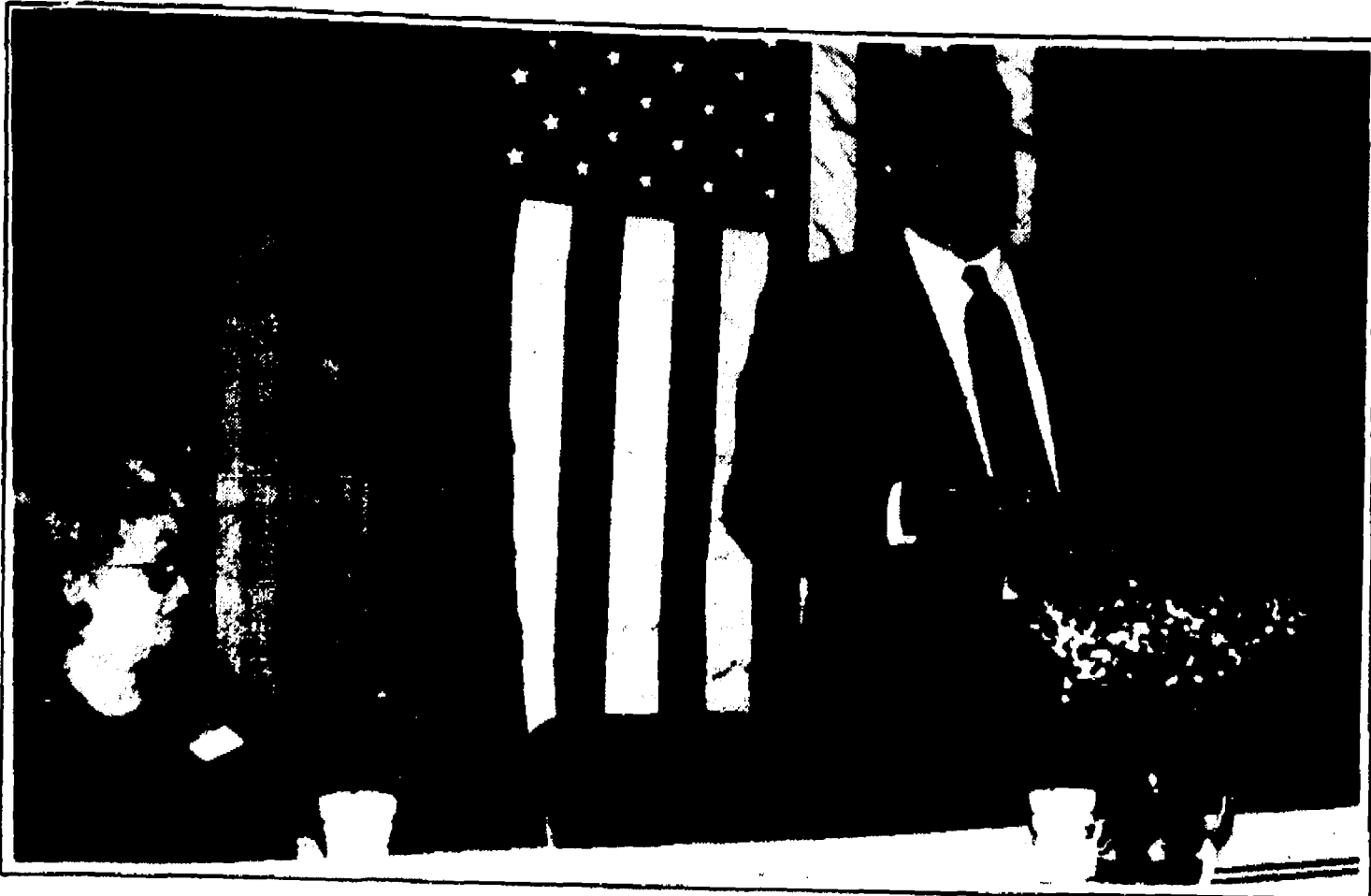
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SENATOR SPEAKS — Crawford County Republican Committee Chairperson and County Commissioner Lynette Corlew looks on as U.S. Sen. Spencer Abraham talks to a group of county leaders. Abraham focused on road funds for the federal level.

U.S. Sen. Abraham talks roads

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

U.S. Sen. Spencer Abraham (R-MI) stopped in Grayling during his trek north to visit as many counties as possible on his way to the state chamber of commerce convention on Mackinaw Island.

Abraham's main topic of discussion at these various county gatherings was federal highway funding. The senator met with Crawford County leaders on Thursday, May 29, at the Grayling Township Hall for about an hour to talk about road funding and other federal issues.

Abraham told officials that obtaining more transportation funds for Michigan is his top priority. "I am putting my focus on getting a bigger piece from Washington (for roads) for the state and local communities," Abraham said.

Abraham believes the timing is critical as federal funding is to be reauthorized this year. Reauthorization occurs only once every five years.

To put into perspective just how important the issue of roads and funding has become, Abraham said he doesn't even wait for a question about it any more. Every county in Michigan that he visits always has the same first question: What about funding for roads?

So now, Abraham opens with the current status of federal transportation funding before taking questions about other federal issues.

The senator said there is an optimistic picture for changing the way federal funds are distributed for roads, but "there are some factors against us."

One of the major factors against those states looking for a change in the distribution of funds is the number of states which get back more money than they give exceeds the number of "donor states."

Michigan is one of the 21 donor states. Michigan currently gets back between 85 and 90 cents for every dollar given to the federal government for roads. There are 29 states which are "non-donor states."

"In this scenario 29 states are winners and 21 are losers which makes it hard in the senate (to make a change)," Abraham said, "but on the House side 60 percent of the representatives come from states on the loser side."

There are a number of different proposed bills being discussed in Washington. Abraham said there are two proposals which he believes is the best way to go for Michigan.

According to Abraham, the best option is the "turn-back" proposal. This option would phase out 12 cents from the federal gas tax and that money would go directly to the states and local communities for their use.

The other option which Abraham said he would support would change the least amount of money each state would get back from the federal government. This proposal would establish a threshold at 95 cents, calling for every state to get back at least this amount for every dollar. According to Abraham, Michigan would get back more than \$100 million a year under this proposal.

This option also calls for additional

money to be distributed by a special system, involving the total miles of roads, amount of use and the collection of the gas tax for each state. According to Abraham, this would call for Michigan getting back \$1.12 for every dollar it gives.

There are also proposals from the non-donor states which keep the distribution of funds the same or similar. All of the bills are still in committee.

Other topics which were raised at the county gathering with the senator were the "swamp tax", National Guard budget and immigration.

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Range 40 Complex, located north of County Road 612, east of Sherman Road, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road). Aerial gunnery and mortar firing will be conducted.

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Della M. Simpson

Della M. Simpson, 92, of Roscommon, died at Hilltop Manor Nursing Home on June 8, 1997.

Mrs. Simpson resided in Grayling for 75 years prior to moving to Whispering Ridge in Roscommon three years ago to be closer to her daughter. She was a homemaker and was preceded in death by her husband, Wilbert E. Simpson, in 1971, and by her parents, Andrew and Lillian (Craft) Beck. Her family suggests memorials be directed to Hospice of Michigan, P.O. Box 532, Roscommon, MI 48653.

She is survived by daughters Edwina LaChapelle of St. Petersburg, Florida, Barbara and husband, George Benjamin, of Fort Myers, Florida and Joan and husband, Edward Murphy, of Roscommon, 12 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Funeral Service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11 at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel with Rev. Peter Russell officiating. The family requests memorials to Hospice of Michigan, P.O. Box 532, Roscommon, MI 48653. Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling.

Card of thanks

Thank you to our friends and neighbors for your cards and acknowledgements in our loss of Emma Hinkley.

Leon and Jackie D'amour

June M. Wilson

June M. Wilson, 70, died on May 29, 1997 at her residence in Grayling.

Mrs. Wilson moved to Grayling 48 years ago from Alpena following her marriage to J. Norman "Jack" Wilson on March 1, 1949, in Alpena. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling. Before retirement, she was employed as a clerk-bookkeeper at the Black and White Grocery Store in Grayling. Mrs. Wilson was preceded in death by her father Lloyd Skiba and Brother Robert Skiba. The family suggests memorial be directed to St. Mary's Altar Society in Grayling.

She is survived by husband J. Norman "Jack" Wilson; sons Douglas and wife Tracy Wilson of Grayling and Howard "John" Wilson of Virginia; daughters Patti Jo Crowl of Cleveland, Ohio and Mary Beth and husband Dave Vogler of Beulah; sisters Darlene Robarge and Joyce Murphy both of Alpena; brother Gary Skiba of Alpena; grandchildren Brianne and Brenden Crowl, Laren and Lindsey Vogler and Brock, Bradley and Camren Wilson; and mother Frances Skiba of Alpena.

Memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, June 16, 1997 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling. Reverend Robert W. Nalley officiating. Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc. McEvers Chapel in Grayling.

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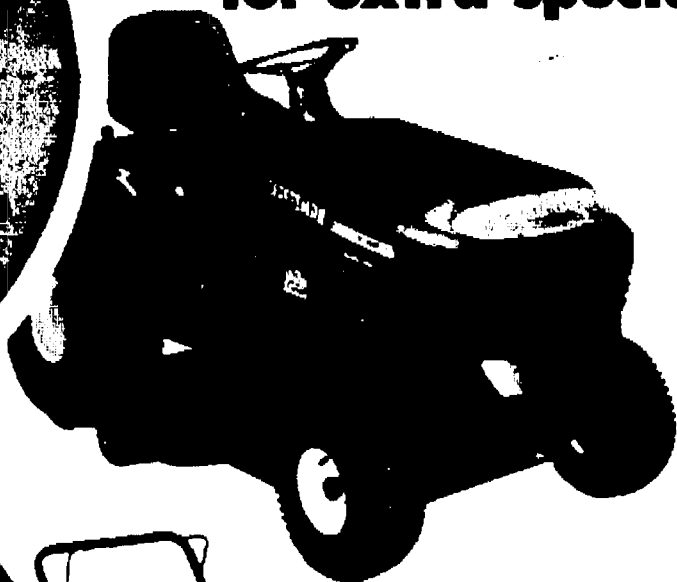
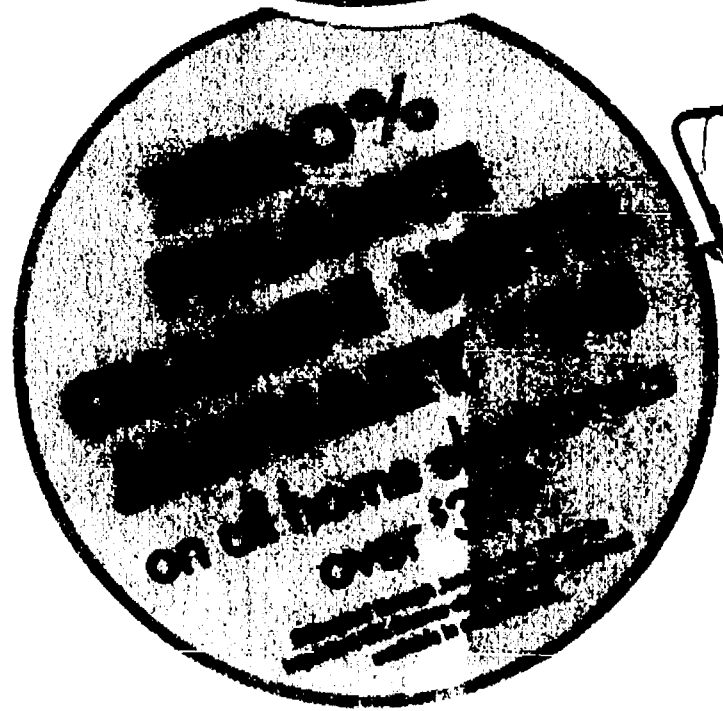
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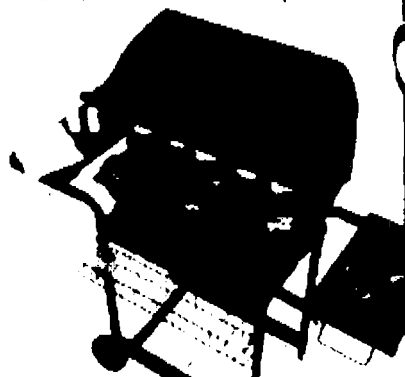
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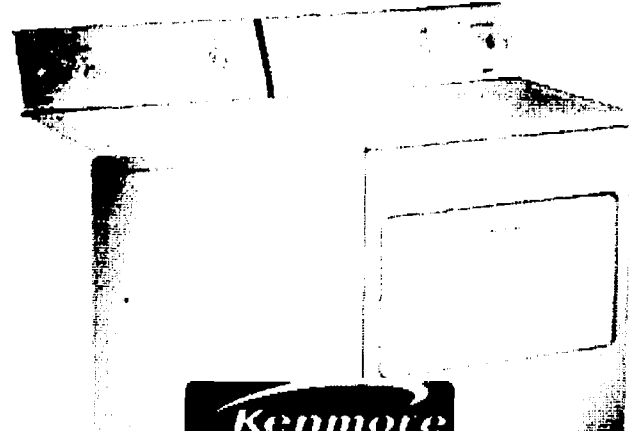
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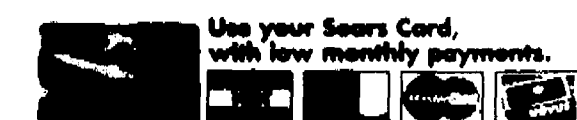
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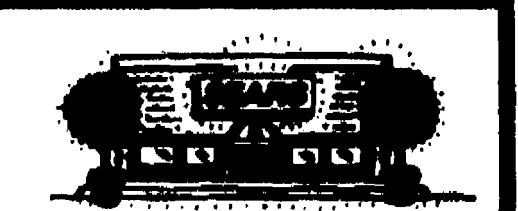
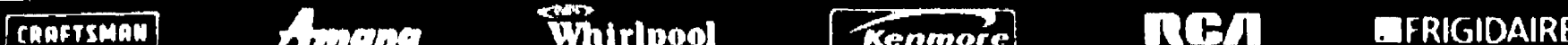
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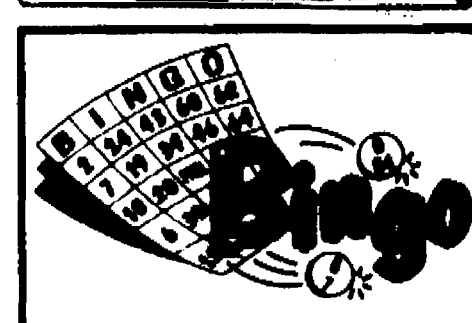
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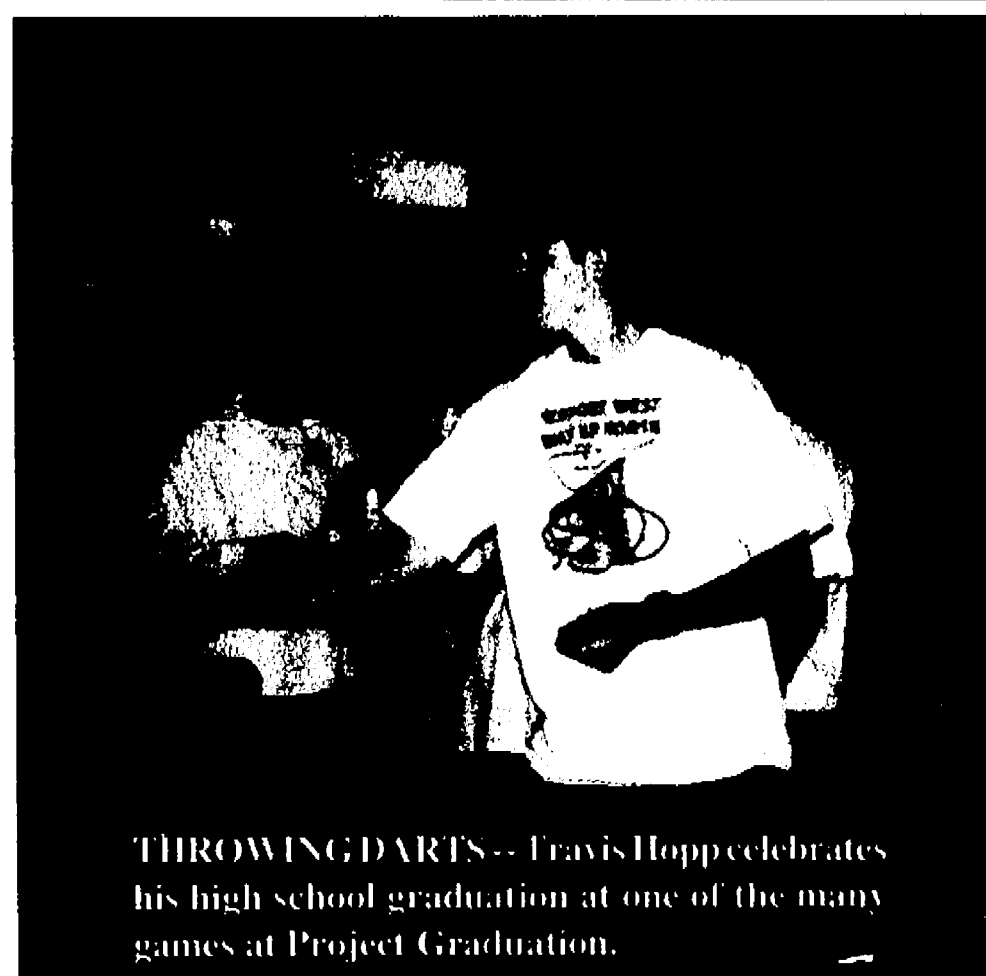
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POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE -- Nicole Lynn Schornack and Dennis R. Gugin march to Pomp and Circumstance at the beginning of the Grayling High School graduation ceremony.



SPINNING -- Josh Nethers, a GHS graduate, enjoys a ride at Project Graduation held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Gaylord. The all-night lock-in offered numerous activities to the graduates.



THROWING DARTS -- Travis Hopp celebrates his high school graduation at one of the many games at Project Graduation.



EXCITED GRADUATE -- Jodie Lynn Gay shows her excitement while marching in to the graduation ceremony.

Class Song
"Dream On"
by Aerosmith

Class Advisors
Barbara Hunter
and
Linda Lobsinger



LEARNING TO DANCE -- Gaye Pizzi taught these graduates how to line dance as part of the Project Graduation festivities.



HUNTING FOR PRIZES -- Exchange student Simon Jahnichen (left) and J.R. Akers pick ducks from a pond in hopes of winning prizes at Project Graduation.

Class Colors
Silver and Black



BATTLING IT OUT -- Two graduated seniors attempt to knock each other off a tower during Project Graduation.



EMOTIONAL NIGHT -- Lindsay VanAmburg and Beth Hunter march arm in arm to their seats for the Class of 1997 graduation ceremony.



BLACKJACK -- Scott Ritter (from left), Jessica St. Germain and Jeremy Colby attempt to beat the dealer in a game of Blackjack at Project Graduation.

Class Motto: "There are places I remember all my life though some have changes, some forever not for better, some have gone and some remain."
The Beatles



BETTING -- Keith Sowulewski bets chips in a blackjack game at Project Graduation.



CLASS OF '97 -- Members of the Grayling High School Class of 1997 meet their family and friends following graduation on Friday, June 6.

Class Flower
White Daisy

Class Officers
Jessica Waite (president), Cheryl McCurdy (vice president), Michael Bobenmoyer (secretary), Heidi Callewaert (treasurer), Erin Patrick and Isaac Tobin (representatives)



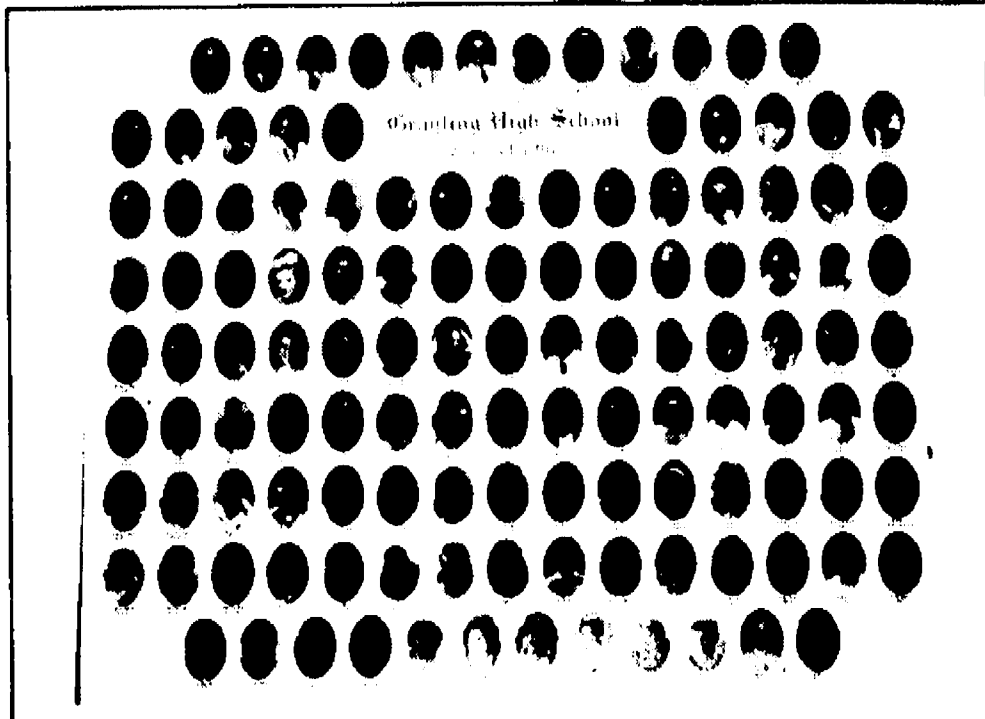
ALL SMILES -- Benjamin Robert Haskel is all smiles after receiving his high school diploma at the GHS graduation ceremony.



NEW GRADUATES -- Jason Steele and Jennifer Jurkovich march into the Grayling High School gymnasium to receive their diplomas during Friday night's graduation ceremony.



WINNING HAND -- Nathan Weaver earns some chips with his winning Blackjack hand.



Grayling High School Class of '97



PROUD GRADUATE -- Mo Harwood (left) and Matt Ashton pose for pictures following the GHS graduation ceremony.



WINNERS -- Kevin Annis and Josh Taylor perform the winning karaoke song at Project Graduation early Saturday morning.

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Summer 1997 Course Schedule

Code	Class	Day	Time
MTH 302	Statistics I	Monday	6:00-9:55 pm
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MGT 380	Business Ethics	Wednesday	6:00-9:55 pm
COM 320	Creative Writing	Thursday	6:00-9:55 pm
ACC 303	Intermediate Accounting III	Wednesday	7:00-10:25 pm

****All classes will be held at Gaylord High School unless otherwise noted****

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June 19 - August 21, 1997

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Skin cancer affects 500,000 Americans annually. One of every three new cancers is a cancer of the skin. While it can be prevented and cured in many cases, skin cancer is often difficult to recognize, especially in its early stages. Slight discoloration of the skin - or any changes in the size, color, shape or thickness of preexisting moles or growths - are often early signs of skin cancer. You should see a physician immediately if this occurs.

Here are some myths people have about the relationship between sun exposure and skin cancer.

- * Children need a strong dose of natural sunlight to maintain good health.
- * Skin cancer develops as a natural part of the aging process.
- * For sunlight to cause skin cancer, you must get a sunburn.
- * Only fair-skinned people are susceptible to sunburn and skin cancer.
- * Sun damage is only temporary.
- * A tanned person is a healthy person.

The American Academy of Dermatology recommends the following precautions to help prevent skin cancer.

- * **Minimize Exposure to Sun** Especially during peak hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. when the rays are the most intense.
- * **Use Sunscreen** Reapply every two hours - and use at least a SPF 15 to protect against both skin cancer and premature wrinkles.
- * **Beware of Reflective Surfaces** Sand, snow, concrete and water can reflect up to 85 percent of sun's damaging rays.
- * **Protect Your Face** Wear a hat or sun visor when you're outside and use sunscreen on your face.
- * **Protect Your Children** Keep them out of the sun when possible and begin applying sunscreen to children as young as six months old.
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KARATE PROMOTIONS - Five students from the Hanson Hills Karate Club were tested and promoted in May: (front from left) Dougie Slater, second gup (level); Paul Brown, ninth gup; Rachel Kaiser, third gup; (back) Nancy Lemmen, seventh gup; instructor Douglas Slater; instructor Gary Hasson; and Sara Kaiser, fourth gup. Karate meets on Mondays, Wednesday and Thursdays from 6 to 7 p.m. in the former museum building at Hanson Hills. Children and adults train together. Classes are taught by Hasson, Slater, Steve CdeBaca and Penny Kaiser. New students are welcome to join at any time. For information, call one of the instructors or Cindy Olson at 348-9266.

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FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News

by Cindy Olson

SUMMER PLAYGROUND - Longer hours and lower cost. The playground will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Cost for one child is \$10 per day or \$40 per week; for two children is \$17 per day or \$68 per week; and for three children is \$23 per day or \$92 per week. Registration is now open. Playground begins June 17. The first two week schedules are available in the office at Hanson Hills. For more information call 348-9266. Summer Playground could use any donations; toys, money, Glens slips, etc. would be much appreciated.

THE GRAYLING FISH HATCHERY - Come visit us, we are open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; seven days a week. This year season passes are available at the Fish Hatchery: \$5 for senior citizens, \$10 a couple and \$15 a family. Group rates are available. Please call 348-9266.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL - Games begin Friday, July 11. Sign your team up now. A league meeting will be held Monday, June 30, 7 p.m. at the Hanson Hills Main Lodge.

BICYCLE TRAIL - Our new bicycle trail is now open. It begins just past the end of the cross country ski trail marked brown. It is temporarily marked with orange surveying tape. The trail is approximately 3-miles long. Trail construction is about one-third single track, two-thirds existing cross country trails and two track. It is an exciting addition to the recreation area.

YOUTH WRESTLING - Anyone interested in the youth wrestling program for third to eighth graders, please call Joe Lehman at 348-9266.

MEMORIALS - Remember your loved one is a positive way - a memorial gift to Grayling Recreation Authority.

FIRST ANNUAL GRA SUMMER OLYMPIC - Takes place at Hanson Hills Aug. 16. Registration is now available. A fee of \$20 for youths and adults permits you to compete in up to five events. Choose from: 1) 50-yard dash, 2) 100-yard dash, 3) long jump, 4) softball throw, 5) frisbee toss, 6) rollerblade slapshot, 7) cross country race/trail race, 8) 4 x 100 relay, 9) tug of war, 10) free throw competition, 11) canoe sprints. For more information call 348-9266.

CO-ED 4 ON 4 BASKETBALL - For competitors' sixth-eighth grade Beginning Saturdays, July 19, for six weeks. The charge is \$60 per team maximum of six-person teams or \$12 per person. For more information call 348-9266.

GOLF - Registration is now open for summer golf. Beginning in July 8, meet at Grayling Country Club on Tuesdays and Thursdays for four weeks from 9 to 11 a.m. There is a \$40 registration fee.

SUMMER TENNIS - For boys and girls third to eighth grade. \$15 registration. Program begins Aug. 4 for four weeks on Mondays and Thursdays.

Speedway hosts great race day

It was a beautiful Saturday in northern Michigan and a great race day after weeks of rain at Merritt Speedway. Marty Buffum lead the entire 30 laps to win the Bonham Insurance Late Model feature race.

Bruce Vance worked his way to second, followed by Dan DeLong, Alex Leyton, Don Marcoullier, Rail Rokos, Frank Seder, Steve Poel, Terry Hill, and Mike Nichols. Jim Waldfogel lead all but the first two laps to win the "B" main over Mark Tossey, Brian Dugan, Ray Chalker, and Mark Pomrankey. Heat winners were Don Erickson, Dugan, David Hilliker, and Marcoullier. Seder won the dash ahead of Allen Markel, Mike Fenske, and fast qualifier Mike Nichols.

In the Michigan Modified class, Brent Banning won the feature event. Bill Whittington, Garry McKinley and Darryl Chappel followed after battling for lap after lap for their positions. Dennis Boyce, Brian Tregear, Joey Fowler, Roger Steig, Dave Mairose and Wilber Fick rounded out the top 10. It was Bill Oliver, Don Hawley, and Greg Wangler in the "B" main; and Kim Myas, Steve Anderson and Roger Fussman in the "C" main. Jim Smith, Fowler, McKinley and Chappel

won the heats; with Chappel also winning the dash ahead of Whittington, Banning and Oliver.

Tom Kushmal won the Pro Truck feature event in this till growing class. David Schram, Rick Yaroch, Jim McSwain, J.T. Anderson, and Ron Hill followed Kushmal in the main. Yaroch took the heat over Schram; Anderson took the win in the dash ahead of Kushmal, Yaroch, and Hill.

More than 40 Street Stocks competed in the events scheduled for them Saturday night and there were seven different winners in seven races. Dave DeKam won the main feature; rounding out the top 10 were Ron McClure, Clay Chambers, Tom Blake, Leon Bidoul, Jeep VanWormer, Jim Kinney, Bob Montgomery, Tony VanHorn, and Larry Carmen. In the "B" main, it was Jim Gunderson, Tim Towne, and Mike Fecko. It was Carmen, Kevin Stricker, and Rod Pavlawk in the "C" main. The heat winners were VanWormer, Louis Peterson, Gerald VanWormer, and Clay Chambers.

Next week, June 14, the Auto Value Super Sprints Series will be at Merritt Speedway. There will be no Michigan Modifies.

Sheriff's Report

The Sheriff's Department of Crawford County dealt with the following 129 incidents from June 2 through June 9:

Ambulance (1), Fire (1), Good Intent (1), Criminal Sexual Conduct (1), Assault (4), Burglary (4),

Larceny (3), Property Damage (1), Controlled Substance (2), Obscenity (1), Fam/Child (1),

Weapons (1), Public Peace (8), Citations (4), Health and Safety (17), Conservation (5), MiscCrim (4), Minors (2), Runaway (1),

Accidents (12), Non-traffic Accident (1), CivilTraf (1), Parking Violation (1), TrafPolic (1), TrafSafPR (5), False Alarm (2),

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COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

Wednesday Womens' League

By Donna Thomson

On Wednesday, June 4, the Wednesday ladies league had another beautiful day sunny day. After all our cold days, this warmth is what we truly deserve.

Greeting us on our arrival were beautiful flowers planted all over and all of the planting was done by three of our gals - Lynda Hetrick, Bev McNamara and Deanne Weiss.

Now for our play: today in Flight A, Jill Anderson had a low net of 31 and there was a three-way tie for low putts of 15 between Jill Anderson, Barb Harmer and Treva McClanahan.

In Flight B, Joyce Ross had a low net of 26 and Marilyn Hartman had low putts of 13.

In Flight C, Katy McNamara had a low net of 25 and Ilene Hatfield had low putts of 11.

In Flight D, Shirley Fuhlbrigge had a low net of 23 and also low putts of 15. Shirley was also the winner of the "white glass slipper" award.

Also today we had two birdies on number 7 by Jeanette Kitchen and Katy McNamara and there were five chip-ins. Jill Anderson and Dorothy Kaseman on number 1, Carolyn DiPonio on number 3, Ilene Hatfield on number 2 and Ricki Stahl on number 5, way to go girls.

Today there was a special prize for the longest drive on number 4 and that was won by Joyce Ross. We girls are doing some pretty awesome golfing and having a lot of fun doing it.

A much welcomed face was that of Evelyn Sager who came and joined us for lunch and brought us all a little surprise she had made. It was so nice to see her and we hope she'll return often.

Introduced today was a new member to our group, Balkis Shippy. Welcome. Glad to have you join us.

That's all "fore" now.



REMEMBERING BOB -- Members of Hale's family and the Grayling Little League break ground on the projects which will be completed in memory of Bob Hale's work with the league. Pictured are (front, from left): Bonnie Brewer, Mike Hale (with shovel), Angel Opperman, Brittany Bennett, Ray Bennett, Cassandra Bennett, and Dee VanNuck, (middle) Rocky Rockhold, Len Mahafy, Lynn Ferrigan, Janet Hale, Darlene Bennett, Jeff Bennett, Russ Strohpaal, Bill Borchers, Wayne Welch, (back) Joe Lehman, Larry Baynham, Joe Arwood, Randy Herman and Tom Swope.

Little League remembers Hale

The Grayling Little League will be developing two projects this summer in memory of Bob Hale. Hale had devoted countless hours to working with area youth on learning baseball fundamentals over the past years prior to his passing away last summer.

He took a personal interest in spending quality time with his grandson Mike Hale and other players

who appreciated the extra instruction he provided. While his personal coaching will be missed, the batting cages and library books will continue to help developing baseball skills for area youth as he would have wanted.

The first project will involve the Little League donating many of Hale's sports instructional books to the Crawford County Library for use by

coaches and players. The books were accumulated over many years by Hale as he spent many hours teaching his players the finer points of playing baseball.

Secondly, the Grayling league will be building two batting cages at the Grayling High School Baseball Field complex for use by Senior Division Little Leaguers or Varsity/JV high school players and one batting cage at the Irving McIsaac Baseball Field for Major Leaguers.

The three batting cages were donated by the Grayling Youth Booster Club in part through a donation by Ingeborg Raac, longtime St. Johns Lutheran Church member.

Hale's constant presence in the batting cages at Millikin Field in Grayling led the league to build them in his memory. Interested persons and/or organizations wishing to donate more funds for cage sheds, framing, hooking, and base boards to the batting cage project can contact Tom Haskel, Little League president, at 517-348-8722.

DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

by Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter, North Higgins Lake State Park

Not long ago I intentionally took a side trip through an area that in bygone years was very familiar to me. Despite all the urbanization the area was still being farmed, miracle of miracles. From the absence of some of the farm houses and outbuildings I recalled from the past it was almost certain the fields, once part of several small farms, were now part of a much larger corporate farm. What struck me most was the absence of the fence rows I had so diligently hunted and played in.

As I sat there alongside the road and looked at the expanse of open fields, I wondered if the people who now farm those fields miss the quail that once called from atop the fence posts or the rooster pheasant that flushed from cover amid a flurry of cackles and brilliant feathers? I wondered also if they remember the sparrow hawks or the red-tailed hawks that once perched in the fence row who hunted the mice that ate the crops? Under the guise of exposing more farmland to the plow the fence rows were removed. No simple task to be sure, but it made more room for the ever larger

equipment being used.

Those old fence rows probably got their start when two farmers decided they had to keep their cows separated. The ground was probably bare then, but it wasn't long before a bird sat on the new wire and left the seeds of wild grape, elderberry or blackberry. Drifting milkweed and goldenrod seeds found a suitable less disturbed place to grow. A hickory nut or walnut hidden by an industrious squirrel grew into a tree. Grasses and weeds combined with everything else to create vegetative shelters for a wide variety of wildlife species that could not otherwise survive in the open fields.

The fence rows not only provided homes to all kinds of critters, but they provided travel lanes where the wild beings could travel without being exposed to the dangers of the open fields. The fence rows introduced me to the ways of the skunk and groundhog, and where the quail dusted under the shelter of the grapevines. There were sparrow nests to peek into a little cottontails to play hide and seek with. It was a place where the catbird scolded and the cardinal would come

to an imitated call.

It was a place where snakes hunted insects and mice. It was a highway between woodlots for the squirrels that Grandpa introduced me to and that tasted so good in the frying pan. Some of the old posts eventually developed holes where flickers nested and the cracks in those same posts became hiding places for moth larvae cocoons. The leafy hidehole created by the grape vines made a perfect secret place.

The woodchuck dug his hole there which was later taken over by a fox, rabbit or skunk. The fence row with its large variety of plants attracted all kinds of insects from leafhoppers to grasshoppers and the birds that ate them, including the bluebirds who nested in the hollow tops of some of the old posts. It seems that everything and everybody who was anybody in the wild kingdom including one less that teen age boy found their way into and along the fence row, which by today's definition is one super nature trail.

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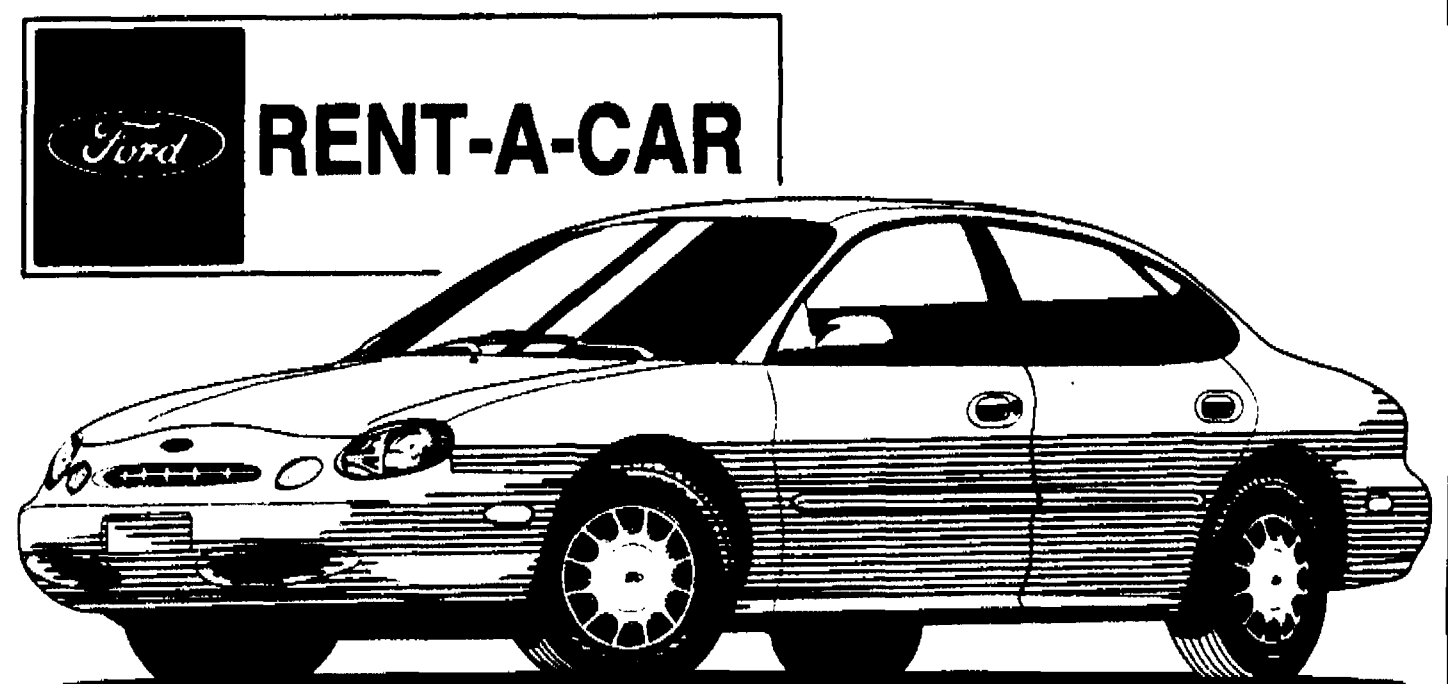


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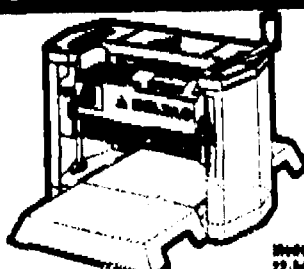
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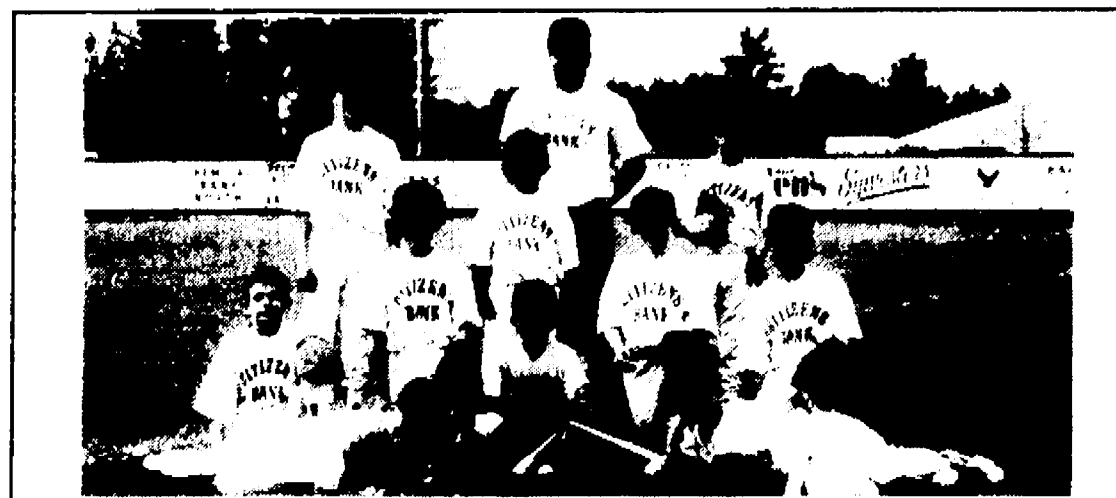
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Coach: Darryl Metzger, Justin Compton, Neil Cook, Bobby Feutz, Adam Gilbert, Jonathan Handy, Alan Lehman, Casey McCuan, Alex McNamara, D.J. Metzger, Josh Millikin, Brian Phillips



305 Michigan Ave.
348-7631

Major/Minor League Sponsored by Little Caesars



Coach: Rich Alexander, Kyle Alexander, Zac Baker, Mavrick Ginther, Kellan Quigley, James Haven, Lucas Hurd, Danny Kostopolus, Lee Kostopolus, Shawn McCuan, Douglas Moors, Reagan Schmidt, Billy Stewart



Little Caesars' Pizza

S. I-75 Bus. Loop • 348-2828

Minor League Sponsored by Deputies Association



Coach: R. Herman, Hank Abney, Audrey Alimenti, David Bendig, Rony Curtis, Michael Hoag, Aaron Isenhauer, Kyle Jenson, Bradley McDonald, Matthew McDonald, Cory Metzger, Raymond Pease, Ryan Vogel, Sean Vogel



Minor League Sponsored by Mercy Hospital



Coach: Lynn Ferrigan, James Boylann, Michael Boylann, Michael Cousins, Justin Froum, Ryan Gaves, Timothy Hatley, Marty Lamain, Amber Palmer, Richard Schreiber, Dougie Slater, Isaac VanNuck, Timmy VanNuck



GRAYLING MERCY HOSPITAL 1100 Michigan Ave.
348-5461

Affiliated with The Mercy Health Services North Community Healthcare System

Minor League Sponsored by Glen's Market



Coach: Paul Olson, Brian Adams, Patrick Belcher, Jeremiah Bootz, Ross Crawford, Brittany Danner, Jesse Ginther, Cy Hiltonen, Jacob Hurd, Stephen Jewell, Matt Krajenka, Katti Messerschmidt, Scot Olson, Nick Parkinson



S. I-75 Bus. Loop
348-5011

Minor League Sponsored by Davis Jewelry



Coach: R. Rockhold, Jeffery Bancroft, Joseph Bancroft, Alex Brackenbury, Jonathon Denton, Spencer Derenzy, Jess Fairbotham, Christopher Gidner, Jeff Harwood, Benjamin Jones, Brian Mastej, Rocky McNamara, Anthony Moss



235 Mich. Ave.
348-5111 • 1-800-686-GEMS

Major League Sponsored by Holiday Inn



Coach: Jim Tobin, Jess Bobenmoyer, Lonnie Carrothers, Ben Crawford, Casey Darling, Nate Frankina, Joe Lange, Josh Messerschmidt, Erik Olson, Zack Otrander, Matt Swope, Gibson Tobin



2650 S. I-75 Bus. Loop • 348-7611 • 1-800-292-9055

Major League Sponsored by Sylvester's



Coach: Eric Gaertner, Asst. Coach: Craig Hinkle, Keil Clough, William Cousins, Ryan Feutz, Ryan Harland, Josh Hinkle, Tyler Huber, Eric Hunter, Sean Kelly, Danny Mahaney, Jeremy Messerschmidt, Mike Schmidt, Josh Jurkovich



5610 W. M-72
348-9097

BIG LEAGUE DREAMS



Senior League Sponsored by American Legion



Coach: Jim Tobin, Levi Burkett, Jon Haskel, Dave Hawkins, Travis Huber, Chris Jones, Brian McCurdy, Terry Munderwood, Justin Schreiber, Rusty Strohpaal, Ryan Swope, Eli Tobin

American Legion Lanes & Lounge
106 S. James • 348-7232

Senior League Sponsored by Rochette's



Coach: Mike Shearer, Larry Baker, Alfred Borchers, Josh Brannan, Matt Harwood, Casey Helsel, Kane Madsen, Cameron McClain, Matt Mitchell, Chris Robbins, Ray Trudgeon, Marc Weaver, Brad Wilson

ROCHETTE'S IGA
508 N. James • 348-9212

Senior League Sponsored by Rotary



Coach: Lenny Mahaffy, Chase Barnett, Nick Baynham, Peter Belcher, James Duncan, Mike Eagan, Matt Evon, Chris Ketchum, Mike Ketchum, Jeremy Latuszek, Bobby Long, Tim Long, Ryan Mahaffy, Todd McCarver, T.J. Rankin, John Stephan

Grayling Rotary Club

Senior League Sponsored by Fox Construction



Coach: Gary Fox, Jon Bancroft, Larry Baynham, Ken Cox, Justin Fenn, Wes Fox, Brandon Gorr, Mike Hale, Nick McNamar, Sean Mitchell, Andy Palmer, Jared Welch, Chris Youngblood

Fox Construction
1680 Clearwater Trail • 348-4823

Senior League Sponsored by Georgia - Pacific



Coach: Bob Gorski, Kyle Crawford, Mike D'Amour, Nick D'Amour, Mike Decapo, Brad Gorski, Travis LaMotte, Pete Merithew, Justin Neuberger, Mike Pratt, Steve Roshy, Max Schreiner, Steve Sherbert

Georgia-Pacific



2471 Industrial Dr.
348-5446

Major/Minor League Sponsored by Women's Eagles Aux.



Coach: Bill Borchers, Brian Borchers, Nick Carrothers, Jeremy Caverly, Jensen Dreasky, Ryan Feldhauser, Jim Jansen, Joe Munson, Russell Peters, John Schneider, Marvin Smith, Kelly Rogers



Major/Minor League Sponsored by Kernstock Builders



Coach: Paul VanNuck, Zach Dean, Tim Decker, James Gault, Robert Jewell, Greg Morrill, Jeff Pasternak, Christi Schmidt, Damon Scharrer, Lee Schreiber, Kyle Trudgeon, Eli VanNuck, Zachary NanNuck

Kernstock Builders
107 Kings Court • 348-8945

Major/Minor League Sponsored by Kiwanis

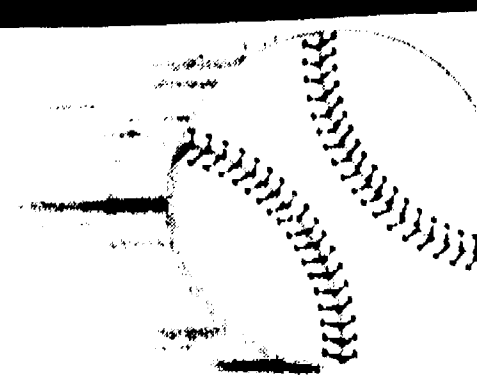


Coach: Artie Clough, Justin Barrett, Kyle Bond, Trevor Clough, Chris Curtis, Tom Pilon, David Fleischmann, Greg Kalonich, Trisha Kinsey, Joshua Mastej, Patrick McNally, Josh Morgan



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BIG LEAGUE DREAMS



Major League Sponsored by Mac's Drugs



Coach: Bert Kaiser, Roy Czapek, Travis Fagan, Kyle Fleischmann, Zachary Guardado, Lance Harmer, Eric Kahn, Adam Kaiser, Ryan Messerschmidt, Billy Partello, Kyle Roman, Donald Starks, Joe Zelek



**MAC'S
DRUG STORE**

122 Michigan Ave., Grayling (517) 348-2181

Major League Sponsored by Millikin's



Coach: Russ Strohpaal, Ryan Davis, Brett Mead, Roy Middleton, Douglas Moors, Rich Niederer, Ryan Schmidt, Andy Strohpaal, Jason Strohpaal, Matt Strohpaal, Michael Trosper, Chris Wakeley, Chet Wheeler

Jack Millikin Inc.

4680 N. Down River Road • 348-8411

Major League Sponsored by McDonald's of Grayling



Coach: Scott Longendyke, Joe Bourrie, William Brewer, Jesse Gildner, Steve Gildner, Travis Gildner, Fred Gribben, Justin Hanes, Travis Hatfield, James Lawrence, Justin Lobsinger, Mark Stephan, Joshua Taylor



2236 S. Grayling Rd. • 348-2269

Girls Softball League Sponsored by N'ORTHOPEDICS



Coach: Sandy Baynham, Katie Baynham, Andrea Dunckley, Kelly Dunckley, Coleen Fleischmann, Angeanette Lovely, Megan Madill, Kirkann Meyer, Cari Muse, Tracy Parkinson, Felecia Patterson, Nicole Roman, Samantha Wilkerson, Chelsea Wolcott



N'ORTHOPEDICS P.C.
ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY

701 N. Otsego • 517-732-1753

Girls Softball League Sponsored by McDonald's of Waters



Coach: Dave Henion, Ashley Bancroft, Ashley Cox, Naomi Cox, Lori Ellis, Laura Gorski, Emily Henion, Rachel Kaiser, Ashley Mitchell, Kim Mitchell, Colleen Rogers, Becky Spicer, Rachel Spicer



1750 W. Marlette • 731-0488

Girls Softball League Sponsored by DuBois Lumber



Coach: Tanya Wolcott, Andrea Elmy, Angela Fisher, Emily Fox, Tabitha Harney, Jennifer Lehman, Danielle Niederer, Crystal Pilon, Alexis Sumner, Mika Sumner, Jasmine Waite, Arica Wolcott, Ashley Wolcott

DuBois Lumber Company
LUMBER & BUILDING MATERIALS

609 Norway Street • 348-4831

In this our 33rd year, I would like to take this opportunity during National Little League Week to thank all of the individuals, organizations, and business who make Grayling Little League a beneficial program for the youth in our community. Grayling Little League is an entirely volunteer organization which succeeds through the mutually dedicated efforts of all involved. I have seen other Little League programs and facilities throughout the State and have found none better than what Grayling provides for youth playing the sport of baseball. With over 270 players, 22 regular season and six All Star teams competing on five local fields, the members of our community continually meet the challenge of providing for our children.

Board members operating the League throughout the season are responsible for numerous tasks which often go unnoticed. Those members include the following: Vice President Jim Tobin, who has over the last decade, performed every duty imaginable at one time or another and in my opinion, is the greatest asset of our League; Treasurer Tom Trudgeon, who maintains the financial affairs of the League; Player Agent Diane Tobin, who registers and assigns all players to our teams; Fund raiser Dee Van Nuck, who coordinates the raffle and other fund raisers which help support our League; Field Manager Tom Ritter, who along with running the Redskins, keeps our fields and structures in top notch shape; Division Vice Presidents Rich Alexander, Rick Schmidt, Mike Shearer and Bob McCurdy, who make sure umpires are available and settle all the little problems which arise during the course of a season; Concession Manager Candy Gorr, who has a most difficult task of running the concession stand five days a week for eight weeks straight; Secretary Dana Anderson, who keeps the minutes for the League and just retired from the Concession Manager Position; Field Maintenance Crew Members Larry Baynham and Craig Stewart, who put up our outfield fences and Equipment Manager Chris Goinick, who orders, sorts, hands out and picks up a ton of equipment.

In addition to all of the managers, coaches, umpires, and parents who help run the season, I especially thank our biggest financial supporters Larry McNamara of Mac's Drugs, George Griffith of Trout Unlimited, Kelly Elmy of DuBois Lumber, Larry Raymond of Sylvestors, Carol Vandeville of Georgia Pacific, Post Commander John Keir and the Veterans of the American Legion Post 106 and Irving McIsaac and the members of the Grayling Youth Booster Club. Special mention goes to the late Bob Hale, who epitomized coaching by teaching children how to play baseball (see related article); St. Johns Lutheran Church member Ingeborg Raee whose donation to the Booster Club helped buy three new batting cages; and Gerry St. Germain for 20+ years of working in all sports and who taught me what I needed to know to be President of the league.

Businesses and organizations are the backbone of Grayling Little League and generously donate thousands of dollars to support the League. Team sponsors include: Davis Jewelers, Glen's Market, Mercy Hospital, Crawford County Deputies Association, Kiwanis, Kernstock Builders, Little Caesars, Ladies Auxiliary of the Grayling Eagles, Citizen's Bank, Holiday Inn, Millikin Construction, Mac's Drug, Sylvestor's, McDonalds of Waters, Fox Construction, Georgia-Pacific, Rotary, Rochettes, Burger King of Grayling, (sponsor of local Legion Baseball players), American Legion Post 106, N'Orthopedics, and DuBois Lumber Company. Sign sponsors include: Dr. Barry Fenn of Family Denistry, Chemical Bank, A.J.D. Forest Products, Crawford-AuSable School District, McLean's Hardware, Weyerhaeuser, Computer Sales & Service, Ben Franklin, Bear's Country Inn, Comfort Center, Milltown Electric, Tom Ritter & Justin Potter, Dan's Plumbing & Heating, Shawano Center Youth, Grayling Restaurant, AuSable Woodworking, Attorney Terry Bloomquist, Ole Dam Party Store, Grayling Power & Equipment, John-Al Construction, Knights of Columbus, Elias Brothers Big Boy, P.V.C. Plumbing & Heating, Crawford County Avalanche, Baynham Forest Products, Fox Run Country Club, Milltown Fence, Fick & Sons, Flowers by Josie, Bill O'Brien of M.R.S. Fasteners, Judge John G. Hunter, and Judge Alton T. Davis.

The danger of publishing a letter such as this, is that I will forget to mention someone or some group who has made an outstanding contribution to the League. If I have done so, please accept my apology as there are just too many people who do worthwhile deeds for our League for me to remember. Three people I thank the most are my parents, Robert and Joyce Haskel, for signing me up to play for Rochettes in 1967 and for donating or letting me use their equipment for field maintenance and pictures, and finally, my wife Tina, for her patience when I'm busy serving my first true love: BASEBALL!

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FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of June 8-14

ARIES March 21-April 19

You'll meet a lively individual who sparks your imagination and gets you thinking about the future. Change is on the horizon, so start preparing for it now. New friends and places prove to be beneficial.

TAURUS April 20-May 20

A surprise gift hits your spirits and turns out to be just what you needed. Don't sell yourself short. Your talents will get a workout and others will be impressed. Focus on the home front including security and improvement projects.

GEMINI May 21-June 20

Organize your priorities and focus on your goals, but be willing to move at a more relaxed pace. Easter isn't always better. Others may not share your going to attitude and will need to be prodded into action.

CANCER June 21-July 22

You'll be relieved of a burden or obligation that you never should have had in the first place. A short trip with friend or relative could boost your spirits. An offer sounds tempting, but read the fine print. Remember your resolutions concerning diet and health.

LEO July 23-August 22

Don't let petty squabbles keep you from doing the right thing. A new or renewed friendship could turn into something more. You're energetic, creative and enthusiastic. An intimate gathering with friends or family could be just what you need.

VIRGO August 23-September 22

Much of what is happening now is going on behind the scenes. Be alert for clues and don't hesitate to ask tough questions. You'll get the necessary information, but it may take time and effort on your part. A family member or friend is on your side and will help when they can.

LIBRA September 23-October 22

People have been talking about you, but it's been positive and in your favor. Your powers of persuasion are at a peak, and even those cool to you are receptive to your ideas and plans. Don't go overboard. Be aware of others' feelings.

SCORPIO October 23-November 22

You'll be taken seriously by those in authority. People who once scoffed at your opinions now seek you out for advice. Don't gloat. Be gracious and understanding. A friend or family member is watching for your reaction to their big news. Be supportive.

SAGITTARIUS November 23-December 21

Your sensitive, romantic side swings into action. Be sure you're seeing what is really there and not what you want to see. Don't dismiss others' advice without considering it. Rest up now. You'll need it later.

CAPRICORN December 22-January 19

Be diplomatic and compromise to get the best results. Pamper yourself with a small luxury. You'll look and feel better. Other people seek out your advice on plans and purchases. Don't get so caught up helping others you neglect your own feelings.

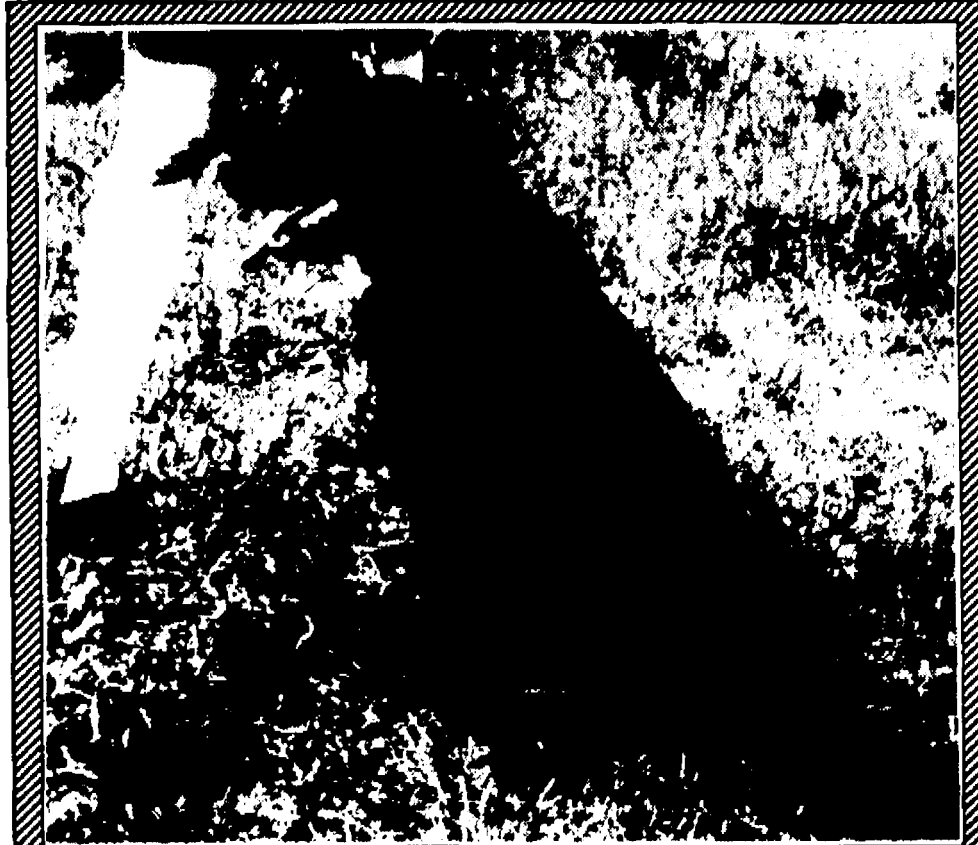
AQUARIUS January 20-February 19

Be realistic. See situations and people as they really are, not how you want them to be. Let others know you'll help when needed, but refuse to take on the whole burden. Have a good time planning a trip or evening out with friends or family.

PISCES February 20-March 20

Your impressive skills in organizing and administration are showcased. You set priorities, keep things moving and close in on your goal. Fresh ideas lead to a fresh outlook. Now it's time to get finances in order for best results. Keep an eye on your health.

For Entertainment Purposes Only



HOME NEEDED - - Josie is a six-month-old female German shepherd mix. She is housebroken and probably too energetic for small children. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

ROASTED PORK WITH CITRUS-GINGER GLAZE (Makes 6 servings)

2 pork tenderloins, about 3/4 pounds each
1/3 C. Kikkoman Teriyaki Baste & Glaze
2 cloves garlic, pressed

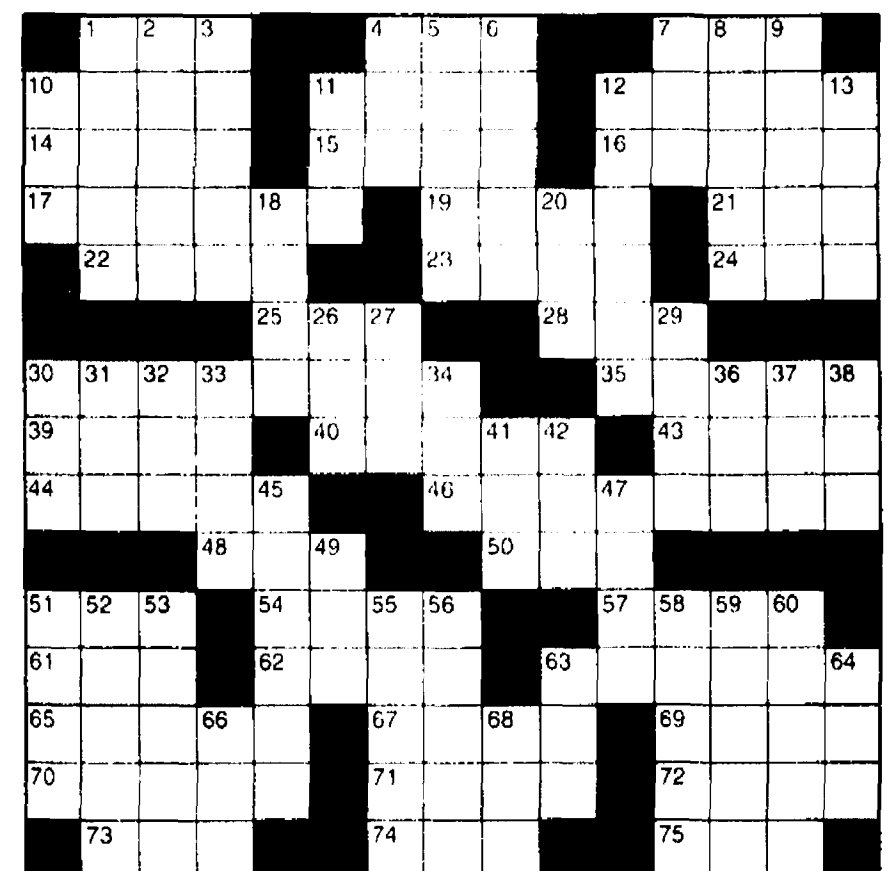
1 t. distilled white vinegar
1/2 t. ground ginger
1 1/2 t. grated fresh lemon peel
1/2 t. grated fresh orange peel

Place pork tenderloins in large, shallow baking pan. Combine teriyaki baste & glaze, garlic, vinegar, ginger, lemon and orange peel. Brush tenderloins with glaze mixture. Roast in 350°F oven 15 minutes. Turn over; brush with glaze. Roast 30 minutes longer, or until meat thermometer inserted into thickest part registers 140°F., brushing tops and sides of tenderloins with glaze halfway through roasting. Remove

from oven and let stand five minutes before slicing.
Each serving: 152 calories, 4g fat, 65mg cholesterol, 406mg sodium, 5g carbohydrates, 24g protein.



CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. Center of commerce
4. Fathers
7. Saint, in Recife
10. Border stamp
11. Ordered
12. My Way
14. Saudi, e.g.
15. Lessen
16. Deputy governor of Plymouth Colony
17. The Of Sleepy Hollow
19. Dutch cheese
21. Stage of history
22. Pastoral purveyor
23. Ancient Greek harp
24. Extra-fast flier
25. Cribbage doodad
26. BPOE member
30. Guiding light
35. Desire
39. Former British PM
40. Steamers
43. Little boy, to Maria
44. Looks after
46. Printer
48. Distressing letters
50. Poseidon's realm
51. Mario Cuomo, e.g. (abbr.)
54. Things to gloss over (abbr.)
57. Injure
61. Turkish title
62. Kind of roll or beat
63. British fuel
65. Ma tante's pen
67. Disagreeable person
69. Lucille (Gershwin musical)
70. One on a moray today

DOWN

1. Employed
2. Custom
3. Genesis
4. Farm sound
5. Ford lemon
6. Imbrowshed
7. The sun
8. Confidential assistants
9. Outstanding people
10. Kilmer of The Doors
11. and breakfast (informal inn)
12. With fighting spirit
13. Punkie, e.g.
18. Quick drinks
20. All The Things You
26. One-third of the king of Siam's catch phrase
27. Liquid measure (abbr.)
29. Olin and Murray
30. Me Call You Sweetheart
31. Pindar poem
32. Guest room, often
33. Tips
34. Sing like Hammer
36. Use a gun sight
37. Genetic initials
38. Persona gratia
41. Stateside Sra.
42. Date
45. Jam metal
47. Unchanged
49. Generic addressee
51. Gaze agog
52. Leers
53. Pommel horse exercise
55. love
56. Photographer's command
58. Armchair traveler's book
59. Native of Teheran
60. Beauty marks
63. Layer of wood
64. Dharma
66. Part of a breast-beating phrase
68. Lick

This week's Puzzle is sponsored by:



1/2 mile west of the Marquette River on M-72 (517) 348-8090

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago June 13, 1974

Visitor for a month at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Gorney are their daughter Karen and Ken Binschattel and son Kenney from Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Herman of Bradenton, Florida visited Mr. and Mrs. John Fick over the weekend, while en route to their summer home in Florence, Wisconsin. Mrs. Fick received a call Tuesday morning that Mrs. Herman passed away Monday evening.

Grayling Chapter #83 O.E.S. is sponsoring a reception and dinner, June 18 at 5:00, honoring Mrs. Irene Peterson who is a Grand Committee Woman of the Praying Hands, Grand Chapter of Michigan Order of the Eastern Star.

Cindy, Bill and Grace Walker are proud to announce the marriage of their mother, Waneta Ann, of Grayling, to Howard R. Madsen, also of Grayling, on Saturday, June 8. A wedding reception was held at the San Sheri Restaurant following the ceremony. After a short honeymoon trip to the upper peninsula, they will reside in Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale DeBoer of Milwaukee visited her mother, Mrs. George Hatfield, and sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nusbaum.

Mr. Frank Hughes of California is visiting his daughter, Barbara.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Cook were called to Detroit due to a death in the family.

Mr. Bill Laurie is a patient at Mercy Hospital. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

A party was held at the Schmidt home on K.P. Lake Saturday, June 8, for our graduates, Harold Schmidt, Susie Pearsall and Don Burden; also for the anniversaries of Jim and Ronnie Brown, Kathy and Rupe Pearsall, Sherrie and Charles Cideau and Ray and Jean Warner. A buffet at the Schmidt and Brown homes was served to 150 guests.

Don't forget the Father and Son

Banquet, June 13, this Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Frederic.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lance and baby were weekend guests of the Keshy's. Mrs. Lance and baby spent last week with her parents, Mrs. Glen Borthe of Clinton was also a weekend guest of the Keshy's to celebrate John Keshy's graduation.

Fifteen ladies enjoyed a canoe trip down the North Branch. They discovered that the trip can be made sideways and backwards.

This year's winners of the fourth grade spelling contest are: Beth Parkinson, first place winner, Bonnie Keusch, Marian Matyn, Mark Hamilton and Susan Anthony.

46 Years Ago June 15, 1951

Ray Duby spent the weekend with his family, returning to his work in Midland on Tuesday.

Fred Koernke returned Friday from Cleveland, where he had spent a few days with his family. His wife and young son, Tommy returned with him for the rest of the season and will occupy one of the Huff cabins. Mrs. Koernke to assist in the restaurant, "The Pine Grill" with her husband.

Pete Kelley of Flint is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Violet Gabriel. He and "Gabe" can really play those guitars.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hummel, Linda and Alfie and Mrs. Arthur Howse attended a family reunion at Flushing on Sunday.

The John Peterson family are visiting her sister, Martha Peterson. John is having his vacation now.

Members of the Lake Margrethe Home Extension Group enjoyed a picnic, their final meeting of the year, at Hartwick Pines, Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Orr (Betty Rasmussen) of Traverse City are happy over the arrival of a daughter, Mary Kristine, on June 1.

A maintenance crew of 15 men began work at the old C.C.C. Camp at Hartwick Pines State Park Monday

morning readying buildings for a convict labor camp, which will include about 50, Leonard Jensen, State Park Manager said. Mr. and Mrs. Emil Giegling attended the graduation exercises held at Macklin Field, Michigan State College, East Lansing on June 2. Their daughter, Miss Emily, was a member of the graduating class, the second largest class in the history of the college. There were 3,753 graduates. Emily received her Bachelor of Science and Arts Degree having majored in Psychology.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burns spent the weekend in Ironwood.

Pfc. Victor Papendick arrived home Friday noon to enjoy a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Papendick. He is to report at Camp Kilbourne, N.J. on July 2 and will be sent to Germany. Vic has been attending signal school and his just finished a course in teletype. Miss Dolores Steffen of Manitowac, Wisconsin, was a weekend guest at the Papendick home.

Fritz Golnick was home from Selfridge Field for a few days visiting his parents, Sheriff and Mrs. William Golnick.

69 Years Ago June 14, 1928

Miss Marie Schmidt is valedictorian of this year's graduating class. Earl Gierke is salutatorian.

Mrs. C.G. Clippert's pupils in piano and vocal music will give a recital Monday evening, June 18th.

Appearing are Wayne Nellist, Vivian Nellist, Dorothy Wakeley, Vivian Dawson, Helen McLeod, Margaret Wood, Mable Isenhauer, Vella Hermann, Beverly Schaible, Margaret Kesseler, Loretta Sorenson, Eleanor Land, Marguita Land, Fern Chalker, Georgiana Olson, Elaine Reagan, Marion Hanson, Marie Schmidt, Jayne Keyport, Nels Olson and Ella and Margrethe Hanson.

Big crowd at Elks dance, over \$500 raised. The Elks who were responsible for the fine affair held at the officers club, which turned out to be a success

socially and financially are C. J. McNamara, George Burke, Emil Kraus, Mike Costello, Mac McGilvary, Wm. Powell and T. W. Hanson and they were assisted by members of Grayling Post 106, American Legion.

Many delightful affairs have been given for Miss Marian Salling, whose marriage to Albert Rumsey of Lansing will take place in the near future.

A. R. Craig says he is used to having up-to-date apparatus to work with and has just finished installing a fine new double oven with a baking capacity of 10,000 loaves of bread daily.

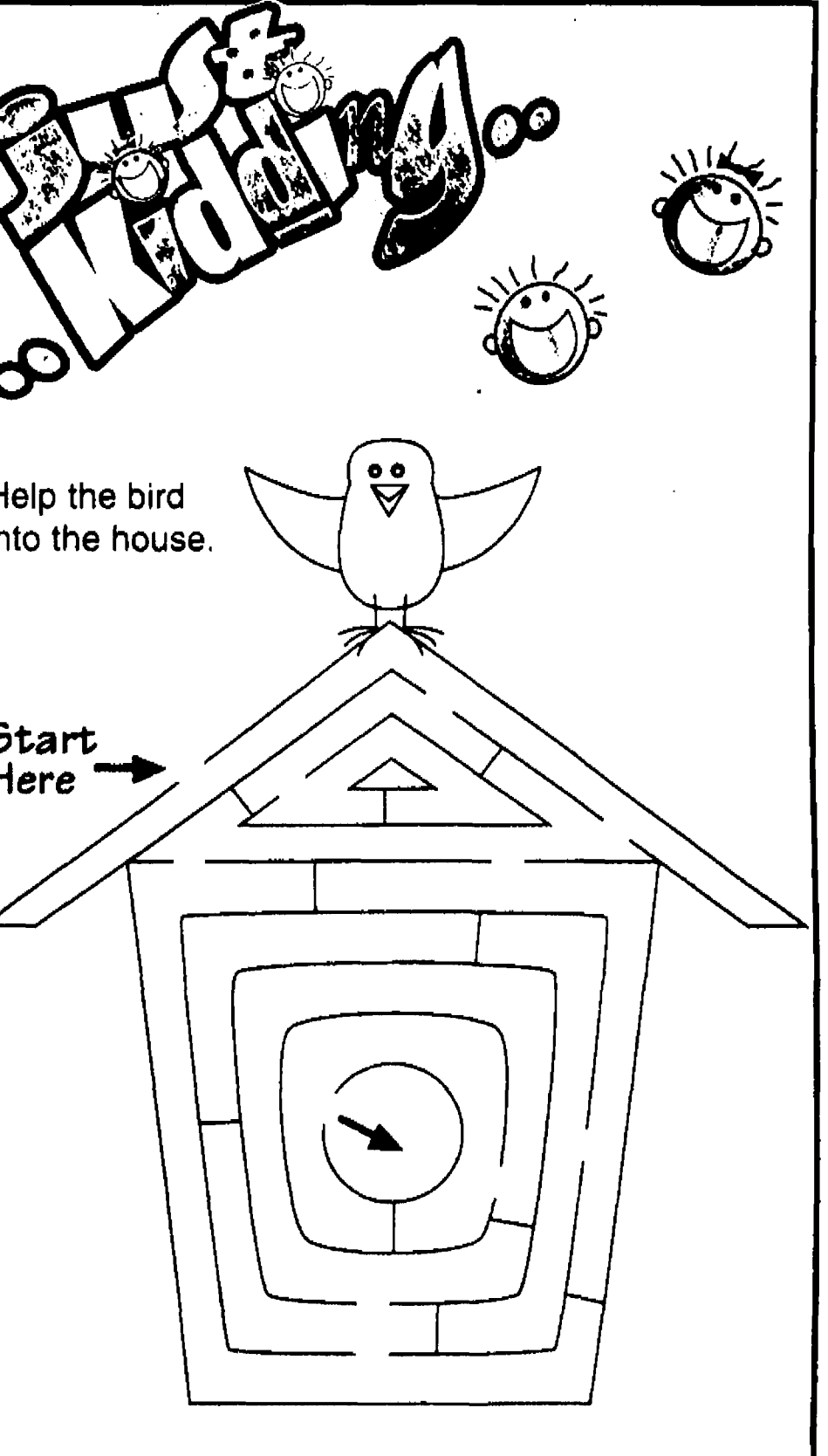
Mrs. Cletus St. Pierre and daughter, Donna, of Niles are here visiting her father, T. SanCartier and also her many friends.

92 Years Ago June 15, 1905

P. McMillan of Gladwin has rented the Woodworth store of M. A. Bates and will install a needed addition to our village in the form of a first class restaurant, a bakery and confectionery store.

Henry Bates of Maple Forest is bound to be progressive. He had put on his farm the first modern weeder in the county.

Married at the home of the bride's parents, near Pere Cheney, Sunday, June 11, Mr. Charles A. Smith to Miss Pocahontas B. Penn. Rev. L. Stevens officiated.



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

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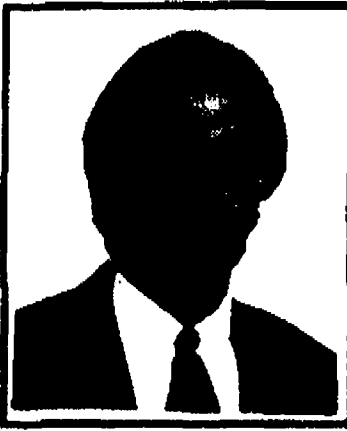
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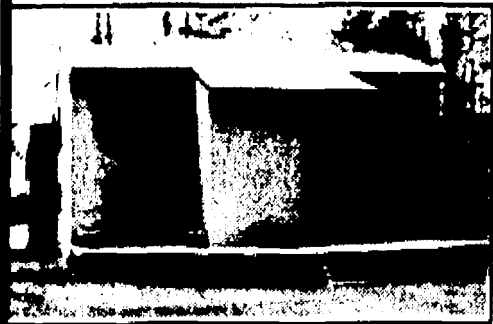
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SMELL THE COUNTRY AIR? You will at this cabin in the woods. Two bedrooms, one bath, two porches, LP gas heat, ceiling fan, detached garage and aluminum siding! Three miles to Higgins Lake and seven miles to Grayling. Enjoy the outdoors with many snowmobile trails close by. \$224,900. CS-574



DIRECT LAKE-MARGRETHE ACCESS Charming brick home, full basement, furnished one-bedroom guest house or rental unit. Landscaped hillside setting overlooking Lake Margrethe, three bedrooms, two baths, three fireplaces, garage, carport, enclosed porch. Exceptional construction with many extra features. \$97,900. CH-468



ENJOY THE PEACEFUL TRANQUILITY on three acres, with 1/2-acre spring-fed pond with island. Three bedrooms, two baths, quality oak cabinets with pullout drawers, lazy susan, breakfast bar, large picture window in the dining room. Thermo windows, woodstove with brick hearth. Office or den, two-car attached garage with two separate workshops, pole barn, landscaped grounds, abundance of wildlife. One of a kind property! \$98,900. CS-572



JUST FINISHED Enjoy this brand new home, 3755 Wintergreen Lane, 1,890 sq. ft., three bedrooms, two baths, master bedroom suite, formal dining, french doors, appliances, central air conditioning, satellite system, deck, attached garage. But wait, a 30x50 insulated/heated out-building, second well, two 12x12 overhead doors. All this on 2.6 acres, sodded yard, landscaped. Call for more details. CH-365



140' ON THE AUSABLE RIVER Nestled in a warm, friendly neighborhood. Three-bedroom, two-bath offers 1,248 sq. ft. with natural gas forced air heat. Master bedroom offers full bath. Open floor plan, breakfast bar, dining area offers built-in china cabinet. Living room and dining room offers large windows, includes stove, refrigerator, washer & dryer. Designed for family living. Bring your family to see today. \$72,900. CS-580



DESIRABLE FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD-SHERWOOD FOREST Large wooded corner lot, newer three-bedroom, two-bath ranch, covered porch, garage, 12x16 storage building, circle drive, natural gas hot water heating. Spacious home. \$77,900. CH-597



IF YOU DESIRE... Gracious living, living among beautiful surroundings you must see this 3-bedroom, 2-bath caged ranch home. Special features include breakfast room w/pantry/coffee, cherry kitchen cabinets w/pantry & snack bar. Master suite offers walk-in closet, tub & separate shower. Peaked ceilings, 3 walk-out patio doors onto deck overlooking the Ausable River. Vinyl windows, woodstove w/brick hearth, open floor plan. Pole barn insulated & heated with offices and 2-car attached garage. Split-rail fence, wrap-around deck, sprinkler system, pump at river, small greenhouse, raised flower beds. \$139,900. CS-572

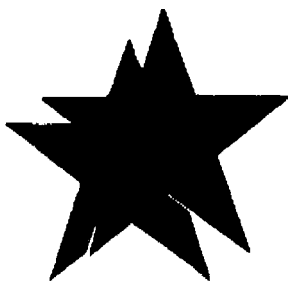


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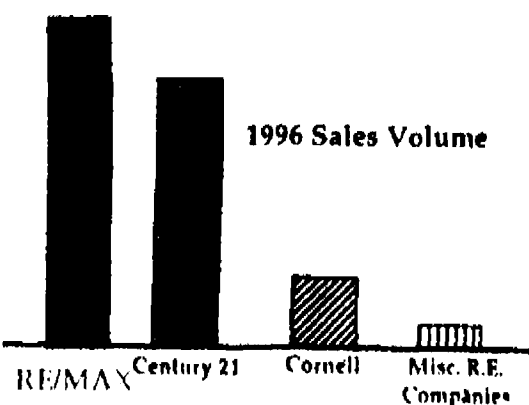


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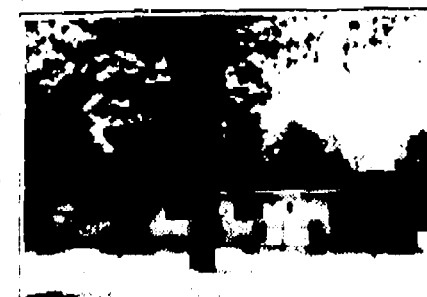
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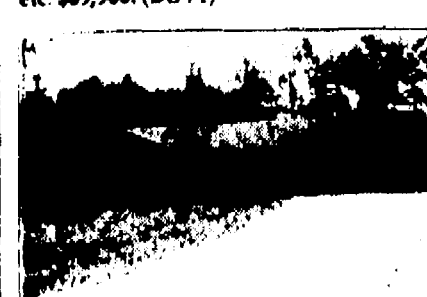
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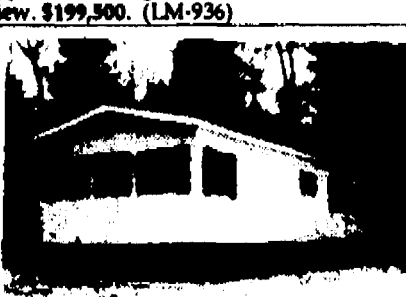
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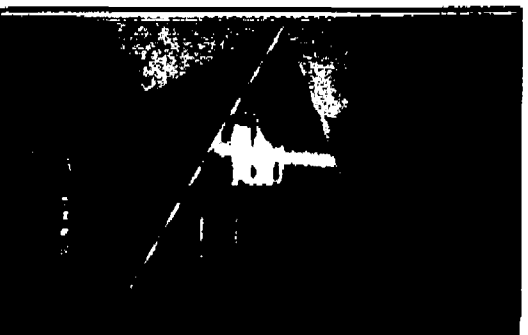
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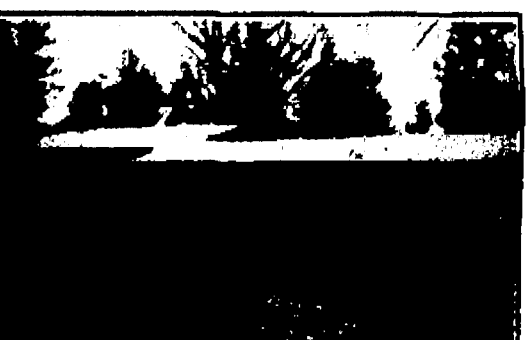
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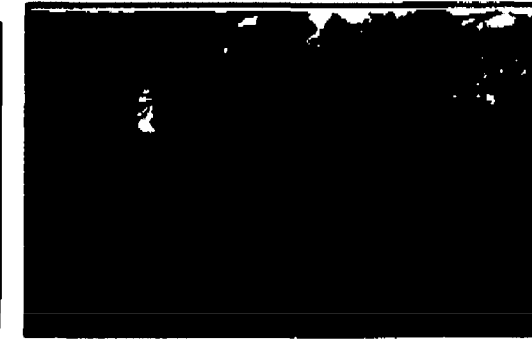


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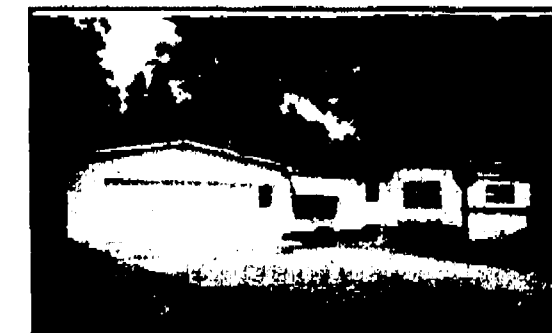
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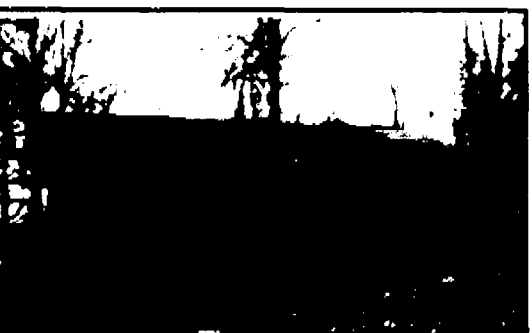
Neat and Clean Residential Home Three-bedroom home located close to Lake Margrethe, has a large family room with gas log burner, air conditioning, sun porch, deck and garage. **\$68,000. #4059**



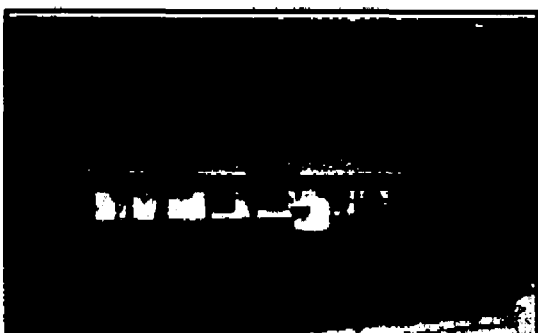
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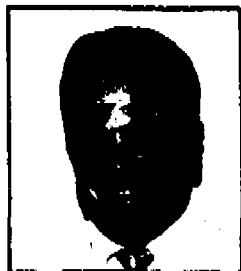
New Home in Sherwood Forest You can do the customizing to the interior of this fine home. Offering 1,200 sq. ft. and an open floor plan. Many possibilities to a creative mind. **\$48,900. #4041**



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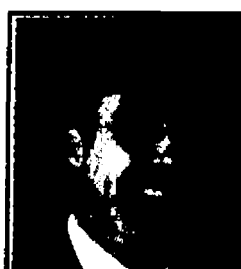
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